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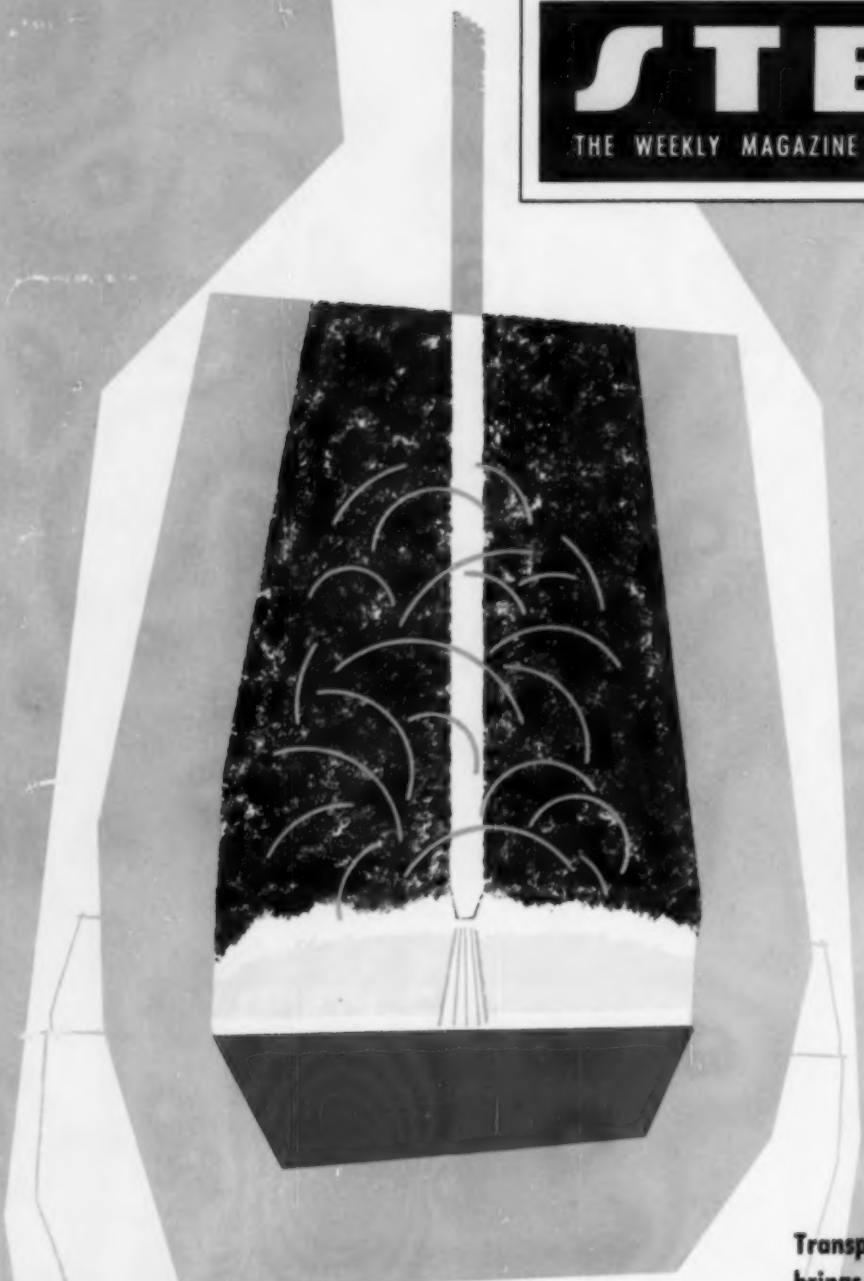

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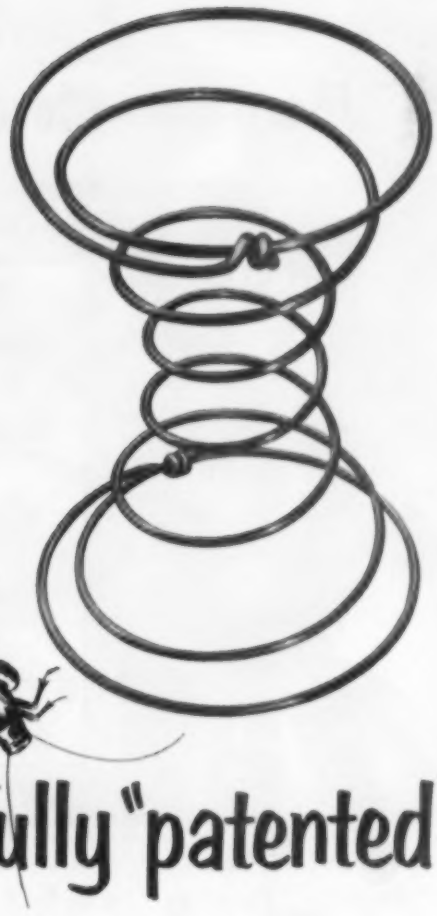

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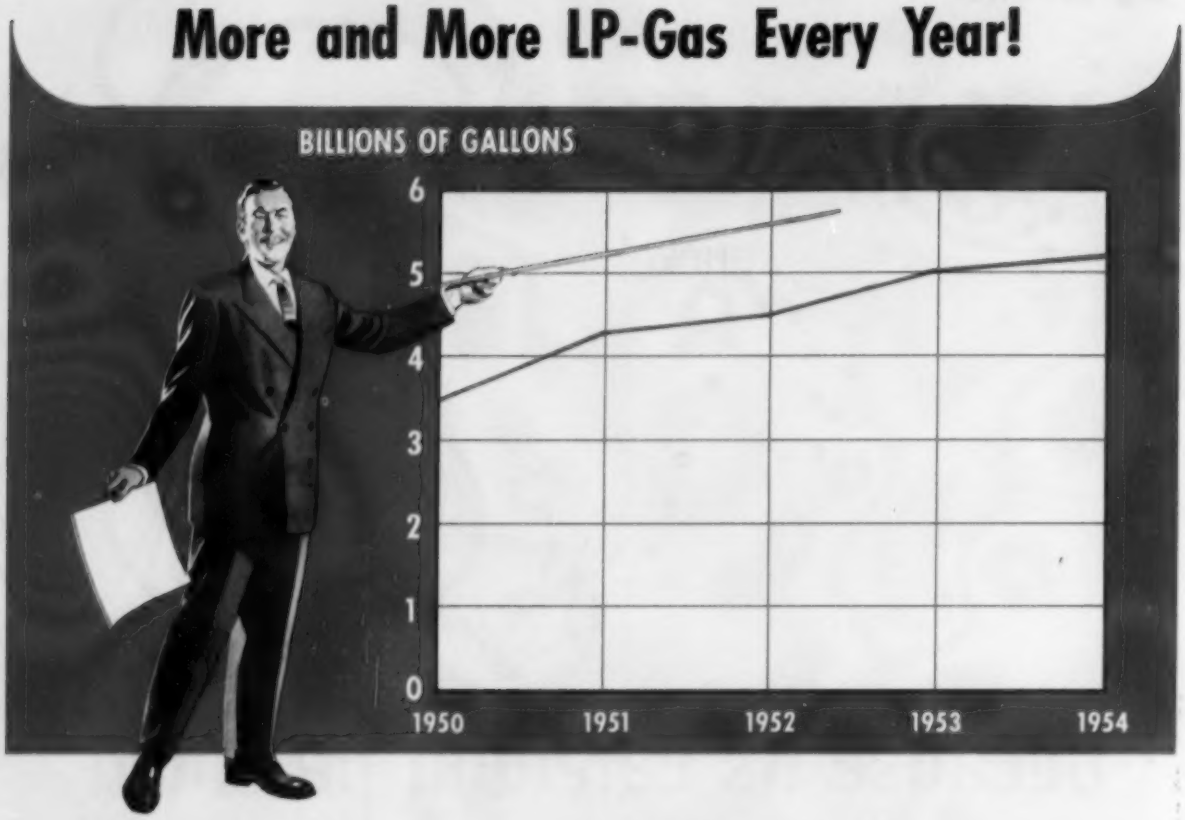

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Hobart 900-ampere "Powromatic" Constant Voltage Welder connected to a tractor driven welding head for welding deck plate in the construction of river barges. Hobart's simplified, lightweight control kit is shown mounted on the tractor.

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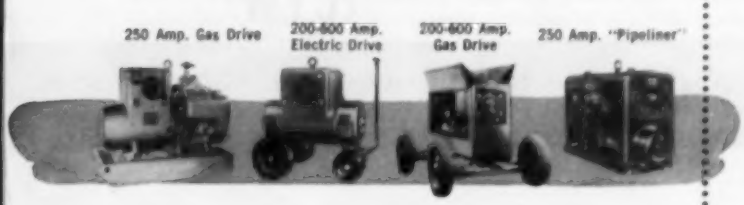

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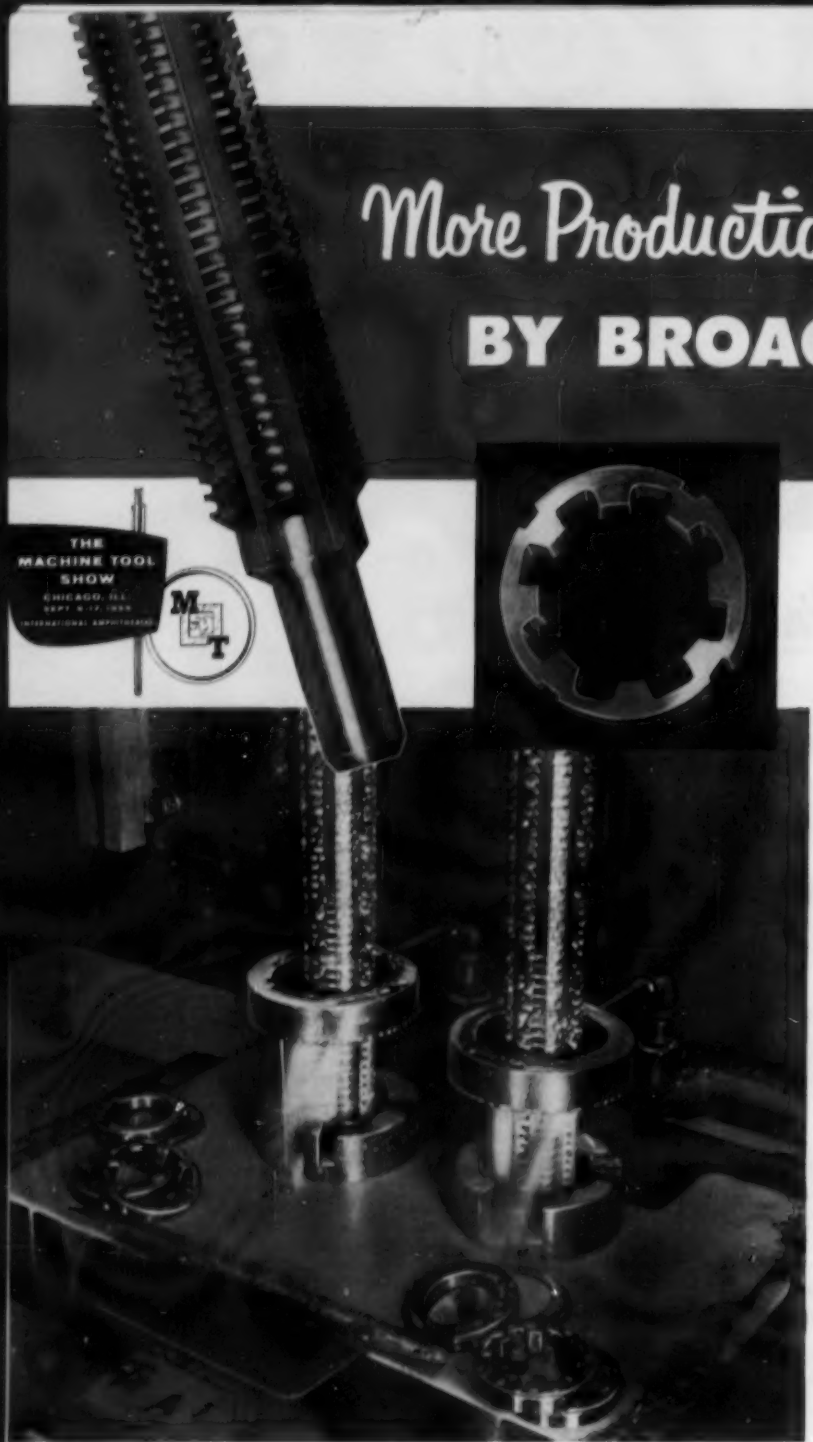

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behind the scenes

Stamp, Stamp, Stamp

Stout Stanley Stewart, amiable assistant editor, tells us that there is still a big punch in the metal stampings business. Stanley made it his business to examine the prospects for stampings, and presents his findings on page 36 for your consideration. Seriously, the reading of articles in STEEL represents a quick and painless method of absorbing information because the stuff is neatly packaged and well seasoned.

Now, in this matter of prospects for stampings, Stanley assembled enough information to report that there would be a 10 per cent increase in production this year. In one page, he observes the strained relations existing between job shops and captive shops and comments on the keen competition shaping up. It is of interest to note in passing that "stamping" comes from an Anglo-Saxon word "stempan," meaning to crush or bray. Bray, aside from meaning to pound or spread, also means "to utter a loud, harsh cry."

"And believe me," said Stewart, absently tapping his teeth and gazing blankly at the wall, "loud, harsh cries are going to echo through the stamping business this year when defense orders drop; they're already down 8 per cent, you know."

We didn't know, but we're going to read the article right now.

Popular Chart

Monday, Jan. 10 was cold and clear in Cleveland; the sun was shining, the thermometer stood at 33 degrees, and STEEL came out as usual. There was nothing extraordinary to mark the issue; no signs, omens, meteors or portents caught our attention. Yet, that issue carried a Hardness Conversion Chart on page 70 which started something like a small tornado in Readers' Service. Beverly Cline and Alice Dailey, of that department, began sorting requests from staff engineers, industrial engineers, materials handling engineers, master mechanics, technical service directors and chief inspectors. The orders piled up like snowdrifts; two weeks after publication, 960 requests for the Hardness Conversion Chart had the girls standing on their ears. Now, almost three months later, we learn that more than 3000 charts have been sent out.

"Can you beat it?" inquired Miss Dailey, popping her pretty blue eyes at a tear sheet of the phenomenon. "This thing tells how you can convert, say, the Rockwell C scale to Brinell indentation diameter in millimeters, and everybody goes nuts about it; we've had requests from as far as England and Brazil. I suppose it's a wonderful thing—but as far as I'm concerned, it would be more useful if I could use it to convert some of my lousy bowling scores."

Bindery Boys Bitter?

Down in the bindery, where these pages are skillfully and swiftly assembled in their final form, Harry Barnes and Al Milano were about to go out to lunch. The section of last week's STEEL was moving into their sphere of operation, and everything was going well when Harry spotted the paragraph we printed about the farmer and the trees.

"We'd like to let you know," they told us later, "that you wrecked our entire lunch hour. So long as there were no puzzles, we never bothered reading your drivel; *now* we have to use our lunch time to figure answers! As for them trees, we got TWO answers!"

They did, too; and both were right. O.K., boys—try this one:

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R. A. Dimberg
industrial engineer
Allen-Bradley Co.
Milwaukee 4, Wis.

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H. W. Harder, secretary
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J. H. Rudy
cost reduction administrator
Radio Corporation of America
Lancaster, Pa.

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M. Kawaguchi
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Hall-Scott Motors Co.
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Steel Finale, 1954

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Bernhard Gordon
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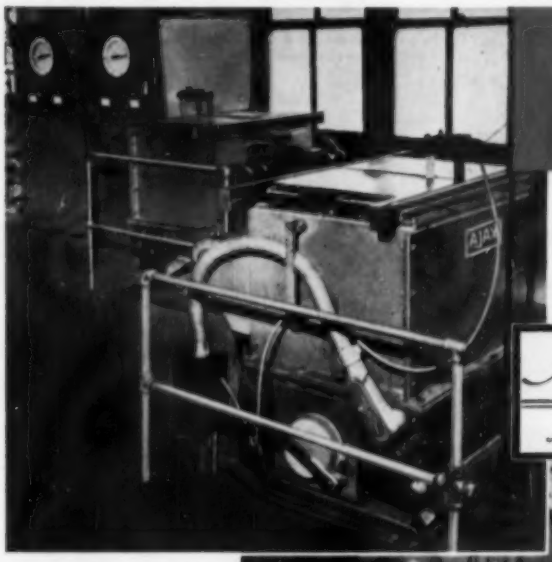

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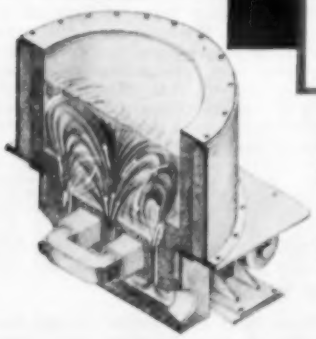

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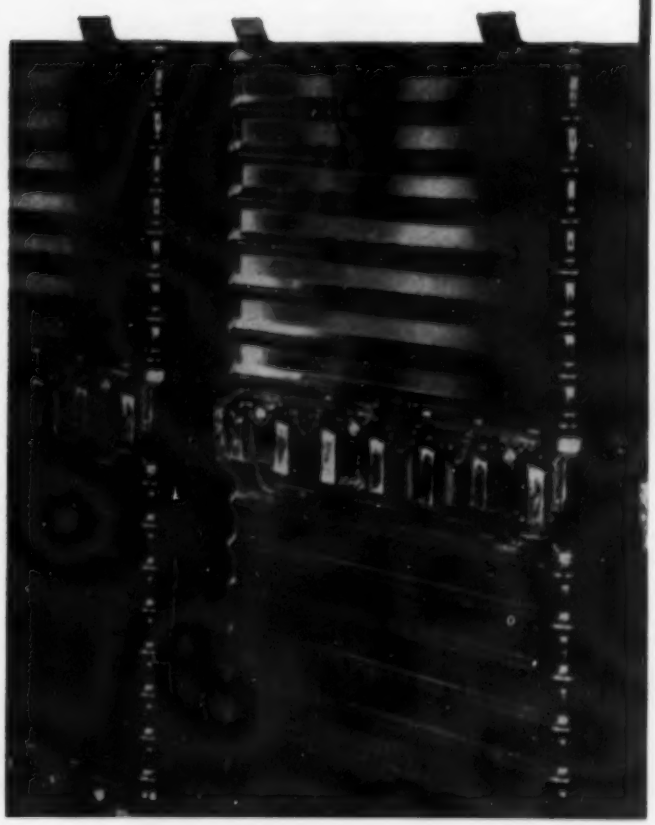

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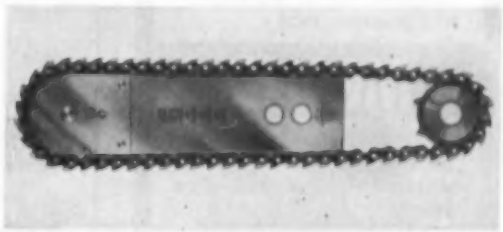

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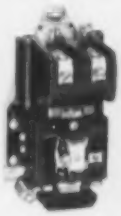

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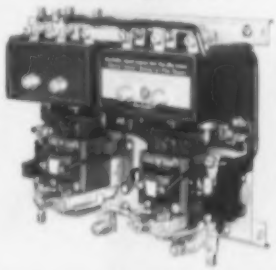

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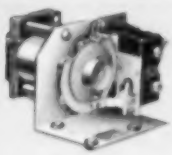

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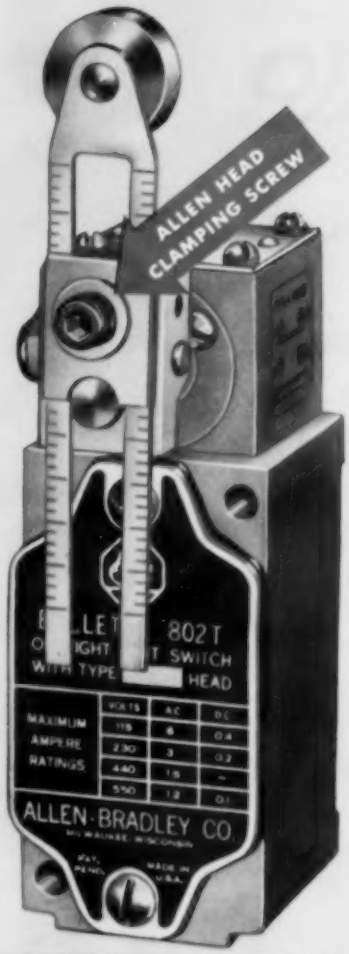

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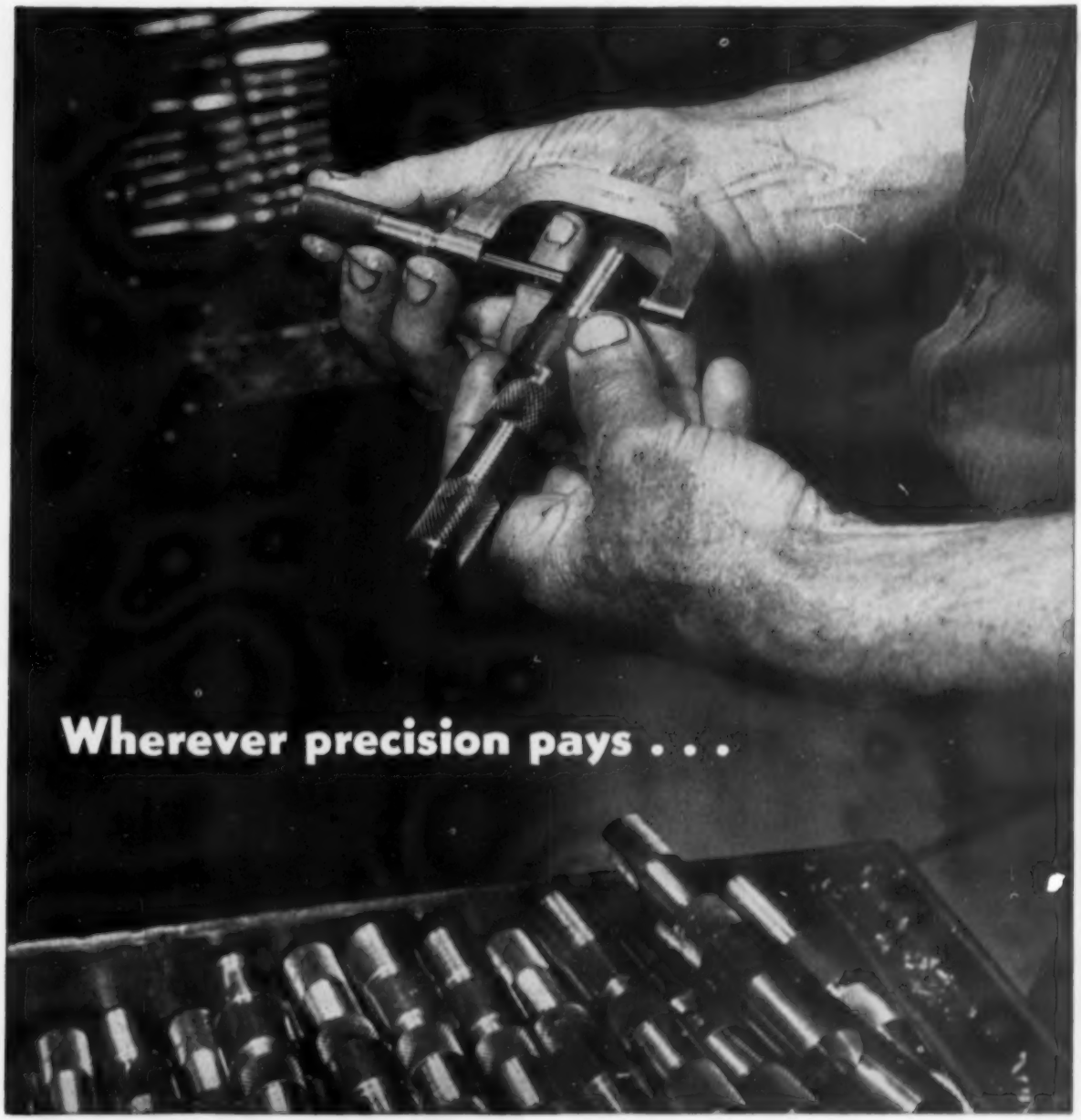

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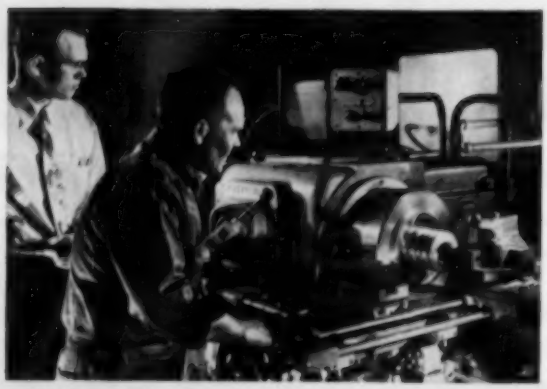

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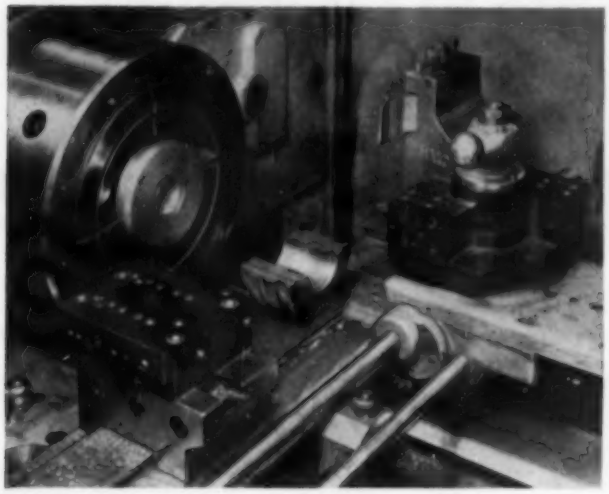

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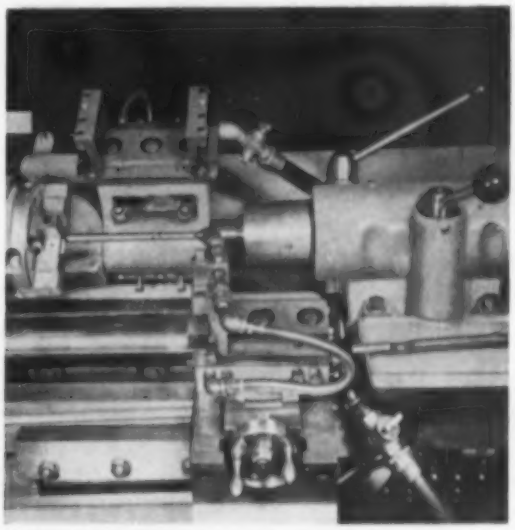

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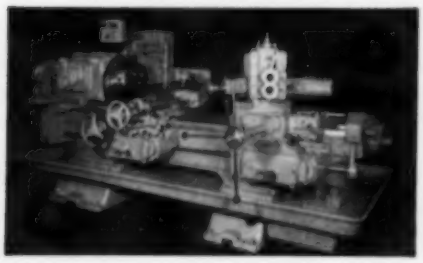

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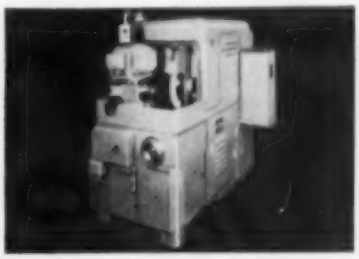

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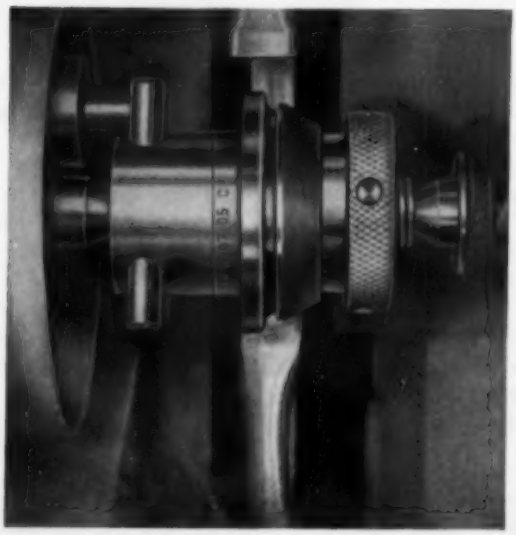

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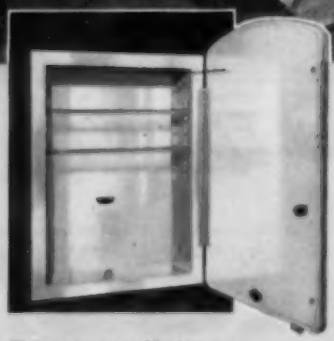

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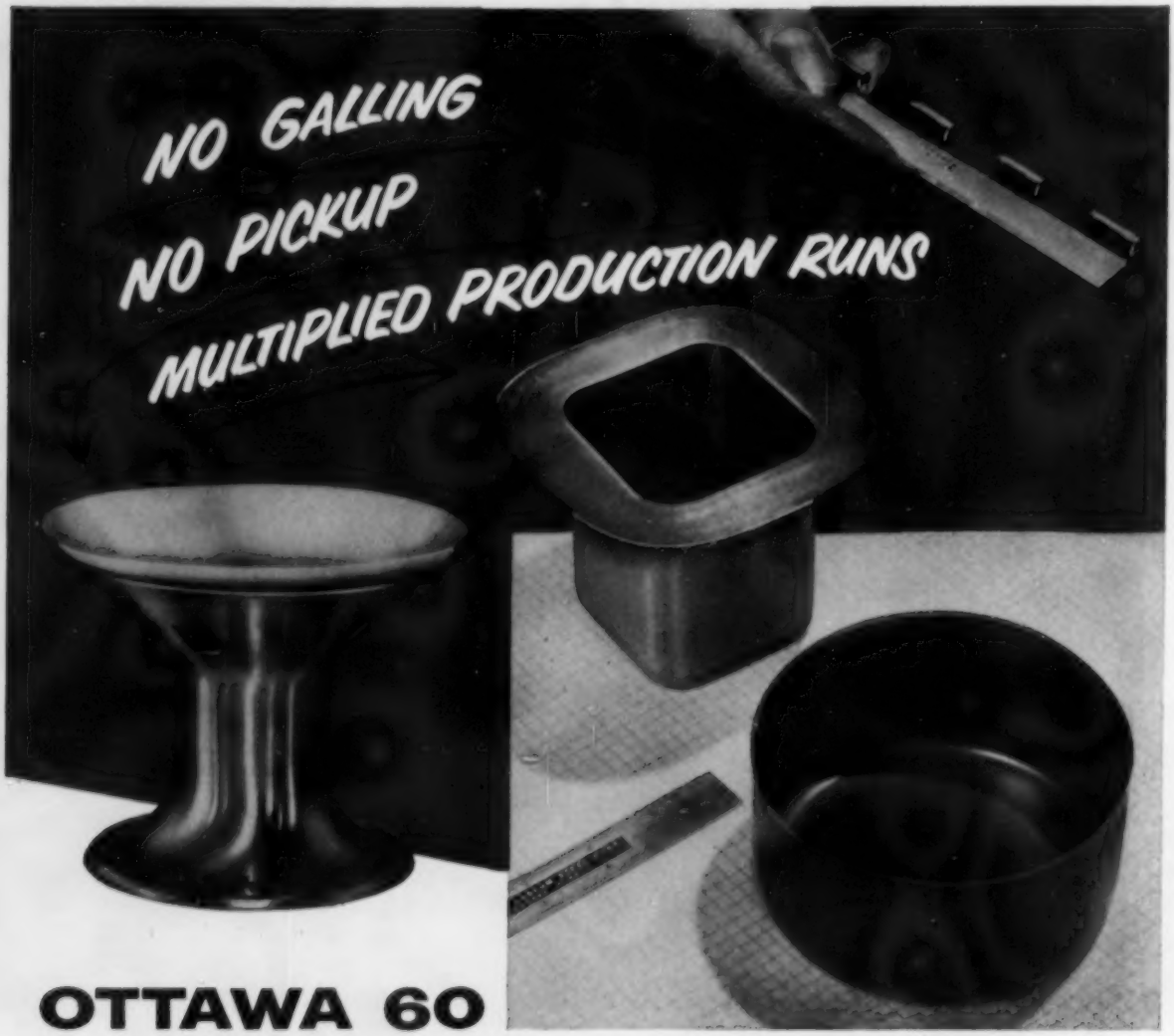

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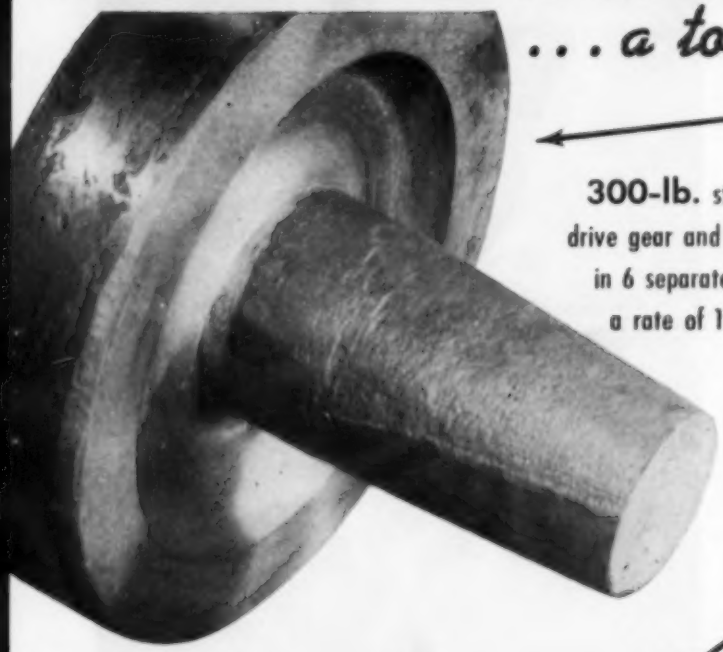

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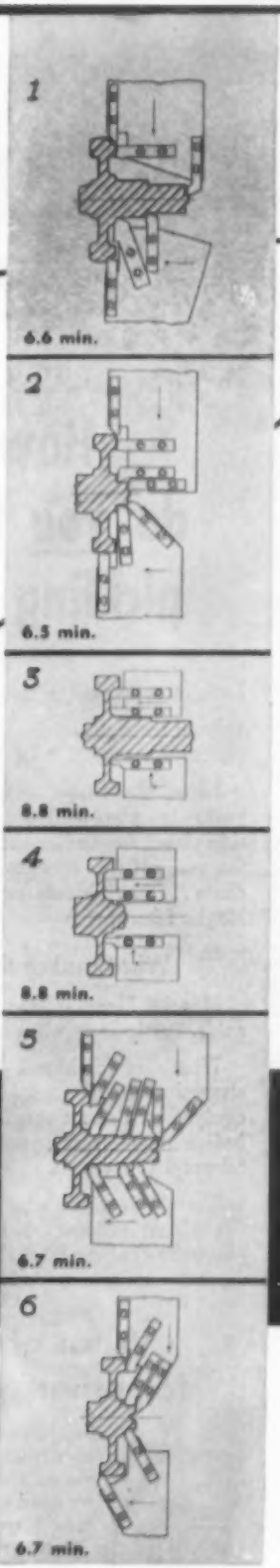

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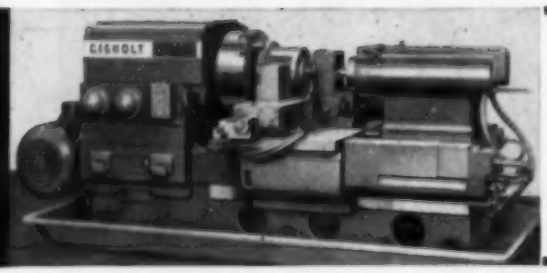

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Metalworking Outlook

Test Case on Mergers

Bethlehem Steel Corp. and Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. want a test case on their proposed merger. They are willing to undergo court action if they can get Justice department assurance of a quick decision. A test of U.S. antimerger policy may also result if Sperry Corp. and Remington Rand Inc. join. Such a union would mean a $650-million company, $200 million larger than International Business Machines Corp.

Titanium Prospects

Excess titanium sponge capacity and increasing production efficiency brought a 55-cent-per-pound drop in the metal's price last week. Titanium Metals Corp. of America's new quotation on sponge is $3.95 a pound. Although Crane Co. expects to be in full production at its new Chattanooga, Tenn., sponge plant by next January, don't expect much additional basic capacity for a while. Emphasis will be on more fabrication facilities to get production balance in the infant industry. Sen. W. Stuart Symington (Dem., Mo.) joins the growing list of congressmen asking questions about Pentagon participation in the metal's development.

More Zirconium Producers?

The Bureau of Mines wants to step out of zirconium sponge production. The move would be in line with the policy of getting the government out of competition with private industry. The bureau is by far the largest producer of the material. Carborundum Metals Co., Titanium Alloy Mfg. Division of National Lead Co. and Foote Mineral Co. are the principal industrial sources for sponge. Significance: New companies may come into the field.

The Decline of a Market?

The American machine tool industry has almost lost its market abroad. From the end of World War I to the beginning of the Korean war, export shipments averaged more than 30 per cent of total deliveries and some years rose as high as 44 per cent. From 1951 through 1953, exports amounted to only 10 per cent of total shipments. Last year, they fell to 8.5 per cent. On the other hand, imports have jumped—from $2 million in 1950 to $48 million in 1952. They have dropped some since, but were still $25 million in 1954.

Tool Policy Recommendations

The Office of Defense Mobilization plans to revise all orders relating to machine tools and production equipment, reveals the annual report of the Senate Small Business Committee. It recommends: Maintenance of a central inventory of government-owned tools; what amounts to a ban on tool leases for nondefense production; withdrawal of U.S. machine tools as soon as possible from production lines of private contractors; review of rental rates for tools; preparation of a preference list establishing pri-

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orities for various military items; a study of the impact of imports on machine tool makers; and a check of control plans.

Hail, the Heat Pump

Watch the heat pump. It's invading northern markets. General Electric Co. is the latest to introduce models designed for colder climates. Utilities such as American Gas & Electric Co. and Atlantic City Electric Co. are pushing the development. Atlantic, which serves southern New Jersey, predicts that one of every ten homes in its area will have year-round electric air conditioning by 1965. Average cost of installation in a $25,000 house in the territory would be $2800 to $3100. Operating cost: An estimated $300 to $320 a year.

Aid for Railroads, Shippers

The administration's long-delayed transportation report carries good news for railroads and shippers. It will recommend: Stripping the Interstate Commerce Commission of much of its power to fix rail freight rates; freeing railroads to go into the trucking and bus businesses; repeal of the 3-per-cent freight transportation tax and the 10-per-cent excise levy on travel tickets; and federal financial aid for research to improve railroad development.

Atomic Notes

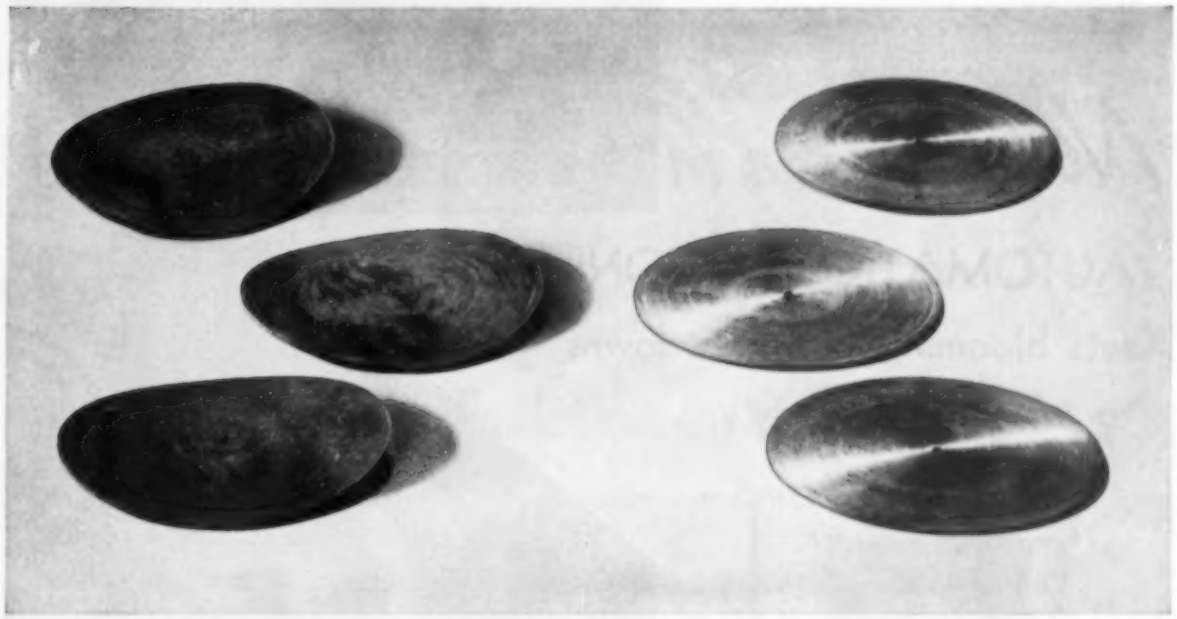
Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp. and the Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad have been awarded a joint contract to study the feasibility of an atomic locomotive . . . Westinghouse Air Brake Co. and Fluor Corp. Ltd. will conduct a joint study on a reactor for the military services . . . Consolidated Edison Co. proposes to build a $55-million nuclear steam generator station in Buchanan, N. Y.

Straws in the Wind

"Within five years 40 per cent of this country's housing market will be taken over by manufacturers of prefabricated homes," predicts John J. O'Brien, retiring president of the Prefabricated Home Manufacturers' Institute . . . In an emergency, the only metal shortages facing the U.S. would be in cobalt and nickel, says Dr. George A. Roberts, president of the American Society for Metals . . . Aluminum Co. of America's 50,000-ton forging press in Cleveland will be in operation by May 5.

This Week in Metalworking

Inventories of industrial components are rising (p. 35) . . . Stampers see a 10-per-cent business improvement in 1955 (p. 36) . . . The United Auto Workers' convention turned into a big pep rally for the annual wage (p. 37) . . . Refractory makers expect a business upturn (p. 38) . . . Why publish a company newspaper? (p. 39) . . . How a product design service pays off for a producer of diecastings (p. 46).



Why Armco **17-4 PH** Stainless Steel **cures distortion problems**

Here's how Armco 17-4 PH Stainless Steel and standard hardenable stainless steel reacted to heat treatment. The three samples at left are all Type 431 stainless steel; the ones at the right are Armco 17-4 PH. Both sets of discs are of the same dimensions, cut from 1¼" diameter bar stock. All have been heat treated to Rockwell C-40 to C-41.

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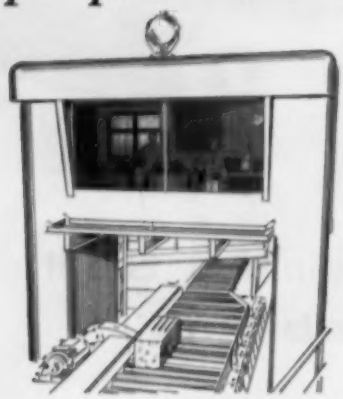

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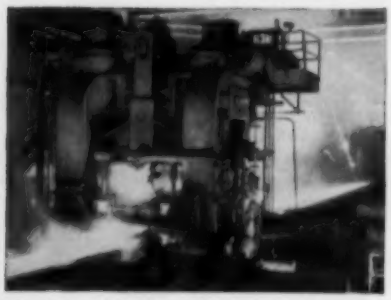

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Evolution in Steelmaking

With so many significant technical developments appearing almost daily, one may easily overlook some of the evolutionary advances taking place in steelmaking.

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But the converter, the predominant method of making steel until 1907, has its weaknesses. It can use little scrap. It requires low-sulphur, low-phosphorous pig iron, which is in diminishing supply.

The process had to give way to the more versatile open-hearth and electric-arc furnaces. But they, too, are not immune to evolution.

The time-consuming reactions in the conventional open-hearth furnace take about 12 hours, just as they did 50 years ago. The small electric furnace, which is charged through a single, side-opening door, is economically confined to the production of alloy and special steels.

Today, the evolution in steelmaking is most apparent. The open hearth, with an enlarged hearth and the use of oxygen and duplexing, is turning out more steel.

The electric furnace, many times larger and equipped for fast top charging, is producing carbon as well as alloy steel competitively with the open hearth.

The old bessemer converter, redesigned and tipped sideways for surface rather than bottom blowing, has reappeared as the promising turbo-hearth.

Newest and most spectacular is the oxygen converter with an opening only at the top. The oxygen is blown down on the surface of the charge of hot metal and scrap to create the refining action. Two plants in commercial production are making heats of high-grade steel in minutes rather than hours.

It is not at all surprising that steel operating men are scrutinizing these evolutionary—perhaps revolutionary—developments intently.

They will result inevitably in lower costs, increased production and higher quality steel products.

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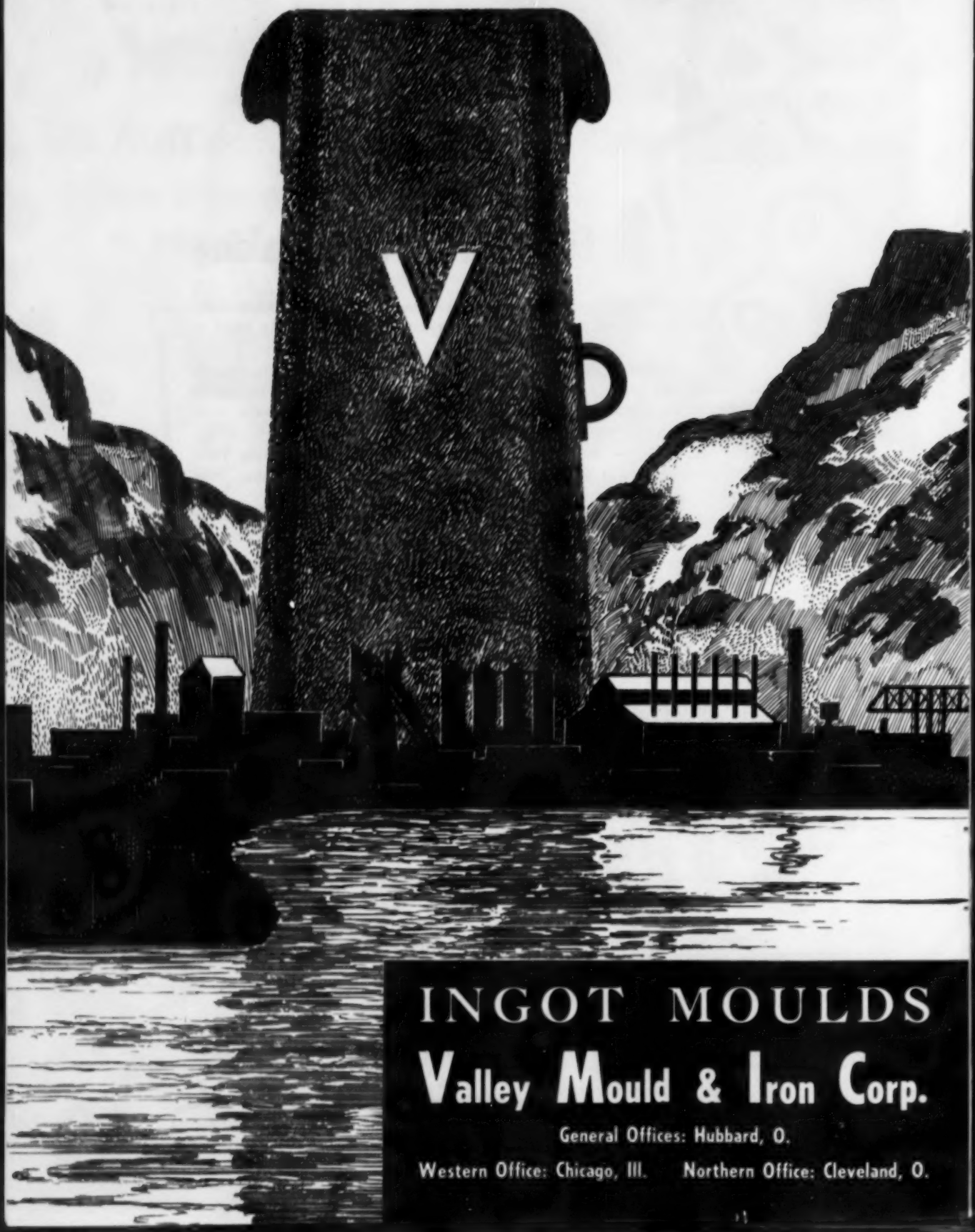

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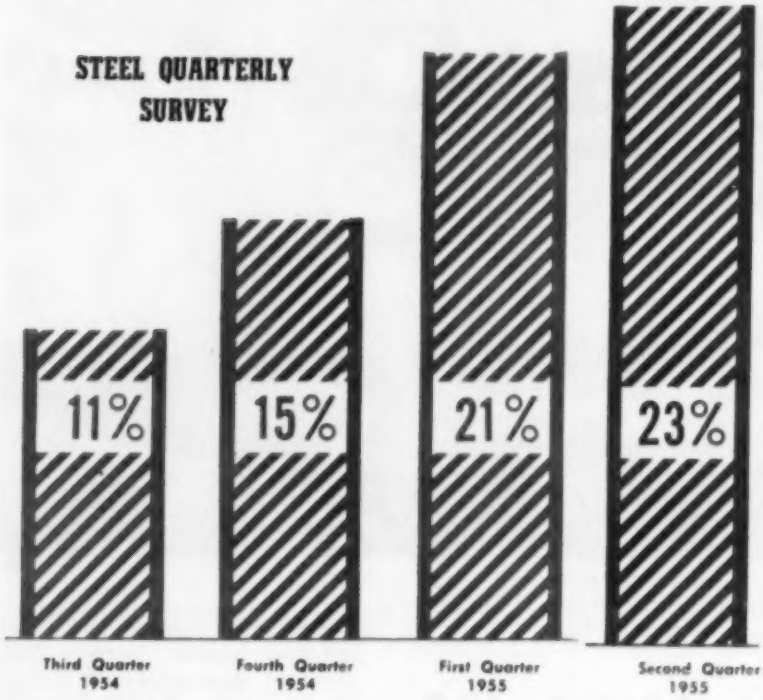
(% of respondents who report improvement over previous quarter)



Survey includes: Bearings, castings, hose couplings, cylinders, electrical equipment, fasteners, forgings, gears, mechanical rubber goods, screw machine products, springs and wire shapes, stampings, weldments.

More Buying Tightens Deliveries

INVENTORIES have about completed the full circle since the mid-1953 shakeout. After hitting bottom the last two quarters, they are on the way back up.

But the road back is slower and bumpier than the downhill ride, STEEL's latest quarterly survey of industrial components indicates.

Small Gains — In the previous survey, 37 per cent of respondents stated they would like to raise inventories during the first quarter of 1955; only 21 per cent managed to do it.

Of those planning to boost inventories in the coming quarter, about 23 per cent may make the grade. Gains will be small, especially when measured against production.

No Padding—Take what happened in the first quarter. Over 20 per cent of respondents reported higher inventories. Yet the change in inventory position, as measured in days' supply, was hardly noticeable. Increasing production nullified any "cushion" higher stocks may have provided. Well over half of the respondents report inventories of all components are still in the 10-to-60-day bracket.

Pointing this up: A larger number report poorer inventory positions in spite of higher stocks.

Slower Service—For the first time in about a year, the number of respondents reporting delivery troubles has risen considerably. Some 47 per cent say they are having difficulty getting one or more components. Over 10 per cent say deliveries from their suppliers as a group are not adequate; in the two previous surveys, only 2 per cent were dissatisfied.

Some of the difficulty can be traced to inventories which were too low to handle last fall's upturn in business. With a goodly number of firms trying to sustain rising production and concurrently build up inventories, longer delivery time resulted.

As Needed — Some purchasing agents accept the inconvenience of lengthening deliveries as a likely companion to low inventories. As one put it: "We are still buying as needed only—no scare buying or speculating. Lead time can lengthen and cause delivery problems momentarily."

Longer lead times are taken as a good sign by some. One PA says: "Deliveries on most items have moved back somewhat, indicating that business is improving."

Getting Better — In spite of higher production and "hard-to-gets," consumers gradually are getting inventories where they want them. In the latest survey, 65 per cent of respondents think their inventory status will still be in good shape three months from now. A quarter ago, only 60 per cent thought that way; six months ago, only 47 per cent.

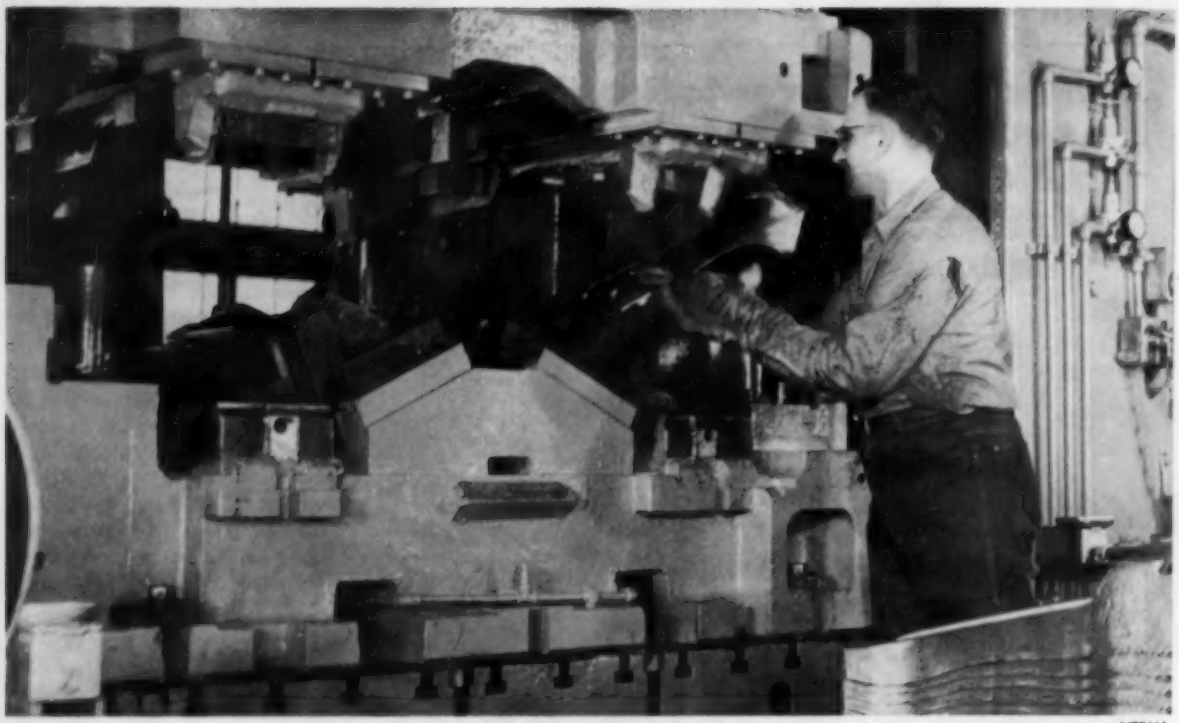
Major trouble spots in deliveries seem to be the longer lead-time items, such as forgings and malleable and steel castings. Aggravating the problem is the generally low level of inventories. Also giving some difficulty are certain kinds of electrical items, antifriction bearings and springs and wire shapes.

J&L: New Pilot Plant

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. is successfully operating a pilot plant to concentrate low grade Michigan iron ore.

Hematite rock, containing about 30 per cent iron, has been upgraded to a concentrate containing up to 63-per-cent iron.

The laboratory-scale plant at Negaunee, Mich., is believed by J&L to be the first to demonstrate that nonmagnetic ores can be magnetized for simple concentration.



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Competition is intense, but outlook is bright for . . .

Stamping Sales: Up 10% in '55

STAMPERS are pressing for a 10 per cent increase over last year's sales.

Seth G. Atwood, of Atwood Vacuum Machine Co., keynotes the industry's optimism when he says: "The increase is based on an assumption that 1955 automotive production will be approximately 10 per cent higher than in 1954."

How To Gain—Many producers are spreading their base of operations. Worcester Pressed Steel Co. points out that its major stamping customers are in a wide range of fields including: Office equipment, electronics, air conditioning, aircraft and home appliances. Detroit Stamping Co. has diversified sales so that it will not be either way up or way down with any particular segment of industry. Its major buyers are in scattered markets — automotive, refrigeration and appliances, agricultural implements, interior hardware and electrical equipment.

Captive Shop—Other routes to greater sales are being taken. Acklin Stamping Co. is a wholly owned division of Tecumseh Products Co. About 75 per cent of its production is directly for Tecumseh, but it also serves automobile and accessory companies and producers of home workshop tools. While Acklin is considered a captive shop, it still maintains its individual identity to fill the remaining 25 per cent of its production schedule.

Speaking of captive vs. job shops, S. Morrison, president, Morrison Products Inc., says: "The deciding factor generally relates to volume, with the job shop still much in the picture where specialized facilities can be utilized over relatively small volume to satisfy requirements for a specific component."

Stamping Backlog—One of the positive indications of how 1955 will go for stampers is shown in their present backlog status, which is running between two and a half and three months. Norman Thal, president, Inshield Die & Stamping Co., says: "At the present time we are running two 9-hour shifts, six days a week. Unless our present backlog is drastically reduced, we expect to continue on this schedule for at least the next two months. We expect to have a busy summer and fall, barring any unforeseen change."

Inshield's business is 60 per cent automotive, 40 per cent nonautomotive. While all stampers cannot say that they will run two shifts, most of them can report: "Backlogs are good, and they may get better."

Defense Business—Average figure for defense work in stampers' shops is about 8 per cent, with wide variance among individual producers. Two firms report that 30 and 20 per cent of their production is for defense, while others give figures from zero to 10 per cent. Most firms are not depending on defense business to boost sales in 1955. They are attempting to get new customers to replace the loss of a former best customer—the Department of Defense. This is also adding to the competitive atmosphere.

Autoworker leaders whip up enthusiasm with . . .

Rah, Rah, Rah for GAW

THE 15th Constitutional Convention of the United Auto Workers-CIO turned out to be nothing more than a giant pep rally for the Guaranteed Annual Wage (GAW).

Timing was carefully calculated. By holding the convention in Cleveland's Public Auditorium from Mar. 27 to Apr. 1, union strategists allowed only six days between "whipping-up" sessions and initial collective bargaining negotiations with General Motors Corp. on Apr. 7.

Crux — The UAW-CIO Resolutions Committee Report contained the union's basic argument for GAW: "From the social and economic point of view, guaranteed employment is a demand that management take seriously its responsibility to minimize unemployment and its damaging effects . . . it provides powerful incentives to those corporations to plan and schedule their production so as to minimize and avoid layoffs and short work weeks . . ."

Unity of Purpose—Introducing George Meany, president, American Federation of Labor, on the second day of the convention, Mr. Reuther stated: "This is a great moment for American labor."

As Mr. Meany was led to the rostrum, UAW-CIO delegates rose as one man to greet their new found supporter. Mr. Meany's opening remarks set the tempo: "Just as men join as workers, so it is necessary that unions now join together to insure progress."

Bright Note—Referring to automation, the AFL president said: "The united labor movement is willing to accept the advancement of mechanical science so long as all benefit."

Delegates waited for George Meany to come out strongly for GAW. He didn't. When interviewed, Mr. Meany said that GAW was a UAW crusade, "the autoworker's baby." He did say that he was for GAW personally but felt unqualified to be involved in autoworker negotiations.

Mr. Meany also admitted that GAW will not work in some industries. When questioned about financial support from AFL funds if the UAW is forced to strike, he stated that if the UAW requests funds it will receive them. Convention delegates had already pledged stiffer dues ($5) to help build a $25-million strike fund.

Convention Thinking — There was a hint that the union might accept a watered-down agreement. Mr. Reuther commented: "Despite our confidence in the plan and the firm belief it is one under which our industries could operate without difficulty, we are prepared to give earnest consideration to any other guaranteed employment plan that industry or anyone else has to offer as better or more practical."

The resolutions committee report also stated: "There is no reason on earth that this issue cannot be settled rationally and peacefully if management comes to the bargaining table prepared to discuss not whether (GAW), but how (GAW)."

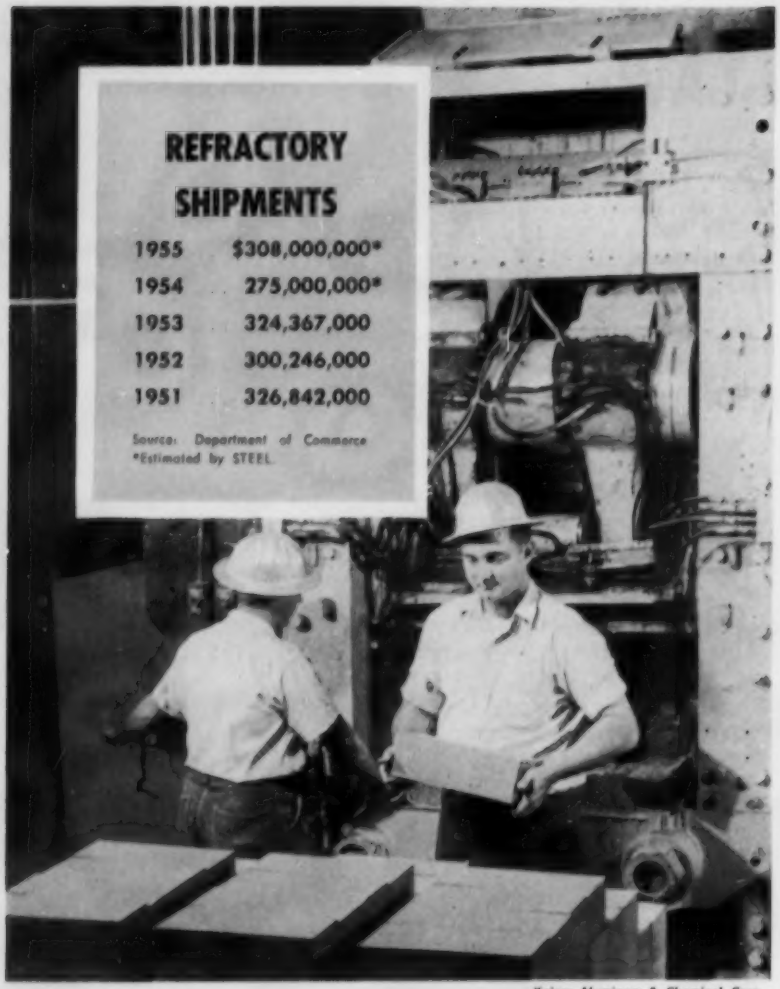
Now the stage is set for the most crucial labor battle of 1955, and one of the most important of all time. The participants are primed.

Automation in Warehouses

Walter Kidde Constructors Inc. has built a new automated warehousing system for Link-Belt Co. at Colmar, Pa.

The bulk picking method is facilitated with a conveyor system directed by electronic controls. It provides a platform on which pickers can place and segregate a requested item, together with the consignee's address, which is contained on a tabulating card. It's designed for large manufacturers and others who must warehouse and distribute case and broken lots of a wide variety of products.

"I am an optimist by nature," states Walter Reuther. "I think our case is so good and right that we cannot help but win. The union is prepared to fight for GAW, but we shall move heaven and earth to avert a strike"



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Demand Heats Up Refractory Sales

REFRACTORY makers figure on a strong comeback in 1955. Demand, most producers say, has paralleled the upturn in steelmaking, which consumes roughly 70 per cent of their output.

Others say business is up, but not so much as steel. "Our better business," says R. P. Stevens, Chicago Fire Brick Co., "is due chiefly to product development and expansion of markets."

Good Supply—One thing is definite: Demand is good. Foundries, weak last year, are coming back strongly to add energy to the market, says Harbison-Walker Refractories Co., Pittsburgh.

Customers want quick delivery, but standard refractories are in good supply. "We can ship practically as soon as we get an order," says Harvey N. Barrett, vice president, Basic Refractories Inc., Cleveland.

Tightness—Pouring pit refractories—sleeves, nozzles and runners—are hardest to get. "We quote eight-week delivery, the longest in a year and a half," says Haws Refractory Co., Johnstown, Pa. Some tightness is noticed in silica brick.

Mill inventories of refractories are being kept down even if it sometimes means trouble. One reason is that shipping direct to the mill saves warehouse handling expense—up to $4 or $5 on 1000 bricks. Mill stocks have increased somewhat in recent months, though, says McLain Fire Brick Co., Pittsburgh.

Distribution—Pointing up the important role of distribution: Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. is building a new refractory plant at Columbiana, O. "The new plant is expected to shorten deliveries of basic refractory brick as much as 14 days," says Vice President Frank M. Cashin, who is manager of the Chemicals Division.

As far as trends go, basic brick is still a comer. But increasing use of refractory castables in lieu of fire brick products is the outstanding change within the past year or so, says Babcock & Wilcox Co., New York. Ease of installation with unskilled labor is a big reason for their growing popularity.

Inventory—That holds true for plastic refractories, too. Another factor is that lower inventories can be carried because of the elimination of many prefired special shapes, points out George V. Campbell, vice president, Ramtite Co., Chicago. Soaking pit coping is but one place where plastics are coming into greater use. If ingots strike the coping, plastic refractory just scores, while prefired coping tile breaks out in pieces, says Mr. Campbell.

Chemically bonded brick, steel-encased brick, low alumina and silica brick also are gaining in use, believes E. M. Thorpe, manager of sales, General Refractories Co., Philadelphia.

Comeback — Carbon refractories were the rage some years ago. Often not used to best advantage, they got a black eye. Now they're coming back, according to Union Carbide & Carbon Corp.

High temperature refractories weren't too much affected by the steel slowdown last year, says Norton Co., Worcester, Mass., partly because of increasing use of hotter processes. More growth is expected.

In ladle brick, demand is leaning to use of larger brick, says Winston A. Porter, president, Globe Brick Co., East Liverpool, O. Larger ladles, longer life and quicker lining are factors in the trend.

House Organs Make Harmony

An Ohio manufacturer is being forced to move, plans to pull up stakes in September. Some employees will be out of a job, loss of payroll will hit community hard

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There's a growing record of the value of company publications to management in dollars and cents. So far, a study by the International Council of Industrial Editors has turned up more than 100 case histories. Automation is one topic that's in the company news right now, with papers doing a good job of getting the fact across that it's a beneficial necessity, not an ogre.

Bonus—W. D. Martin, editor of Republic Steel Corp's *Republic Reports*, says that after the stage had been set by a special issue, a drive sold more than 97 per cent of all company employees on starting a bond program. Henry B. Bachrach, General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y., reports that a weekly paper does most of the promotion of GE's area suggestion system. "Last year," he says, "we saved better than $1 million."

Management is spending about $140 million a year on newspapers, magazines and other written material aimed mainly at employees. Since 1947, the audience has grown some 25 million to a total of 80 million.

Backing — Many organizations are doing a full-time job to increase the impact of the message. The American Iron & Steel Institute, for example, maintains two full-time men in New York to advise member company publications. It has qualified trouble shooters in district offices, and conducts a year-around program with regular meetings and panels.

Your Publication — The scope of your written communcations program will be governed only by your budget and the amount of company information you want to spread. Authorities agree that, at the least, you should have a mimeographed employee newsletter.

If you want full coverage, you could put out a monthly magazine, weekly supervisory and employee newsletters and a monthly community news page. Employee magazines are the basic tool for developing harmony between employee and company. Newsletters are strong for spot situations, like spiking rumors.

Your Costs—They will vary, depending on size, printing methods, use of color, etc. An AISI survey shows that written communications in the steel industry cost from a few to forty cents a copy. A survey of 15 companies by Associated Industries of Cleveland shows an average cost of 26.7 cents for newspapers, 31.7 cents for magazines. The AISI estimates that an eight-page monthly with 5000 circulation can be put out for about $4000 a year, excluding salary costs.

And that's the rub. There are always a lot of new faces at meetings of industrial editors. Too many young men see editorship of a company paper as a steppingstone; too many managements fail to get value for the dollars they put into ink and paper because they don't pay enough to attract a man capable of giving life to the body.

Responsibility—W. W. Sebald, president, Armco Steel Corp., remarks that more management emphasis must be placed on human relations. "Each employee must be given the sense that he is 'in the know,' that he belongs; that he's doing an important job." Your company publications are the best vehicles for achieving these aims.

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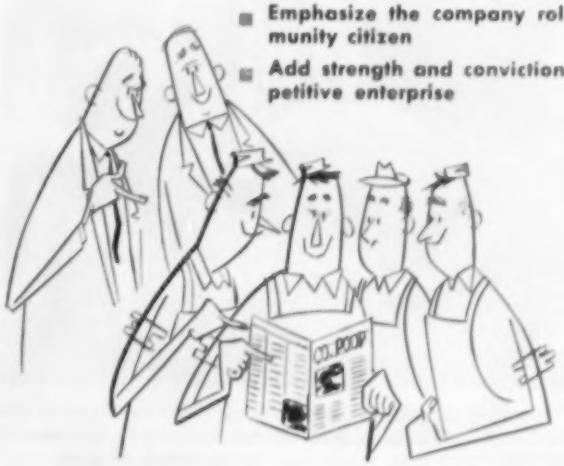

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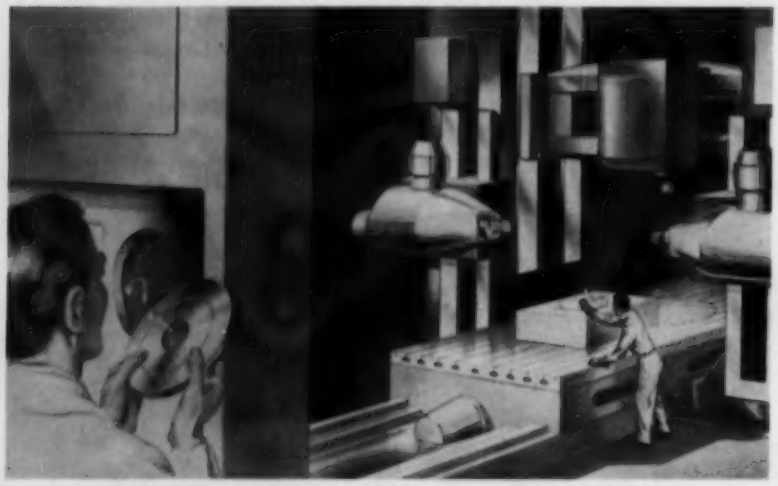

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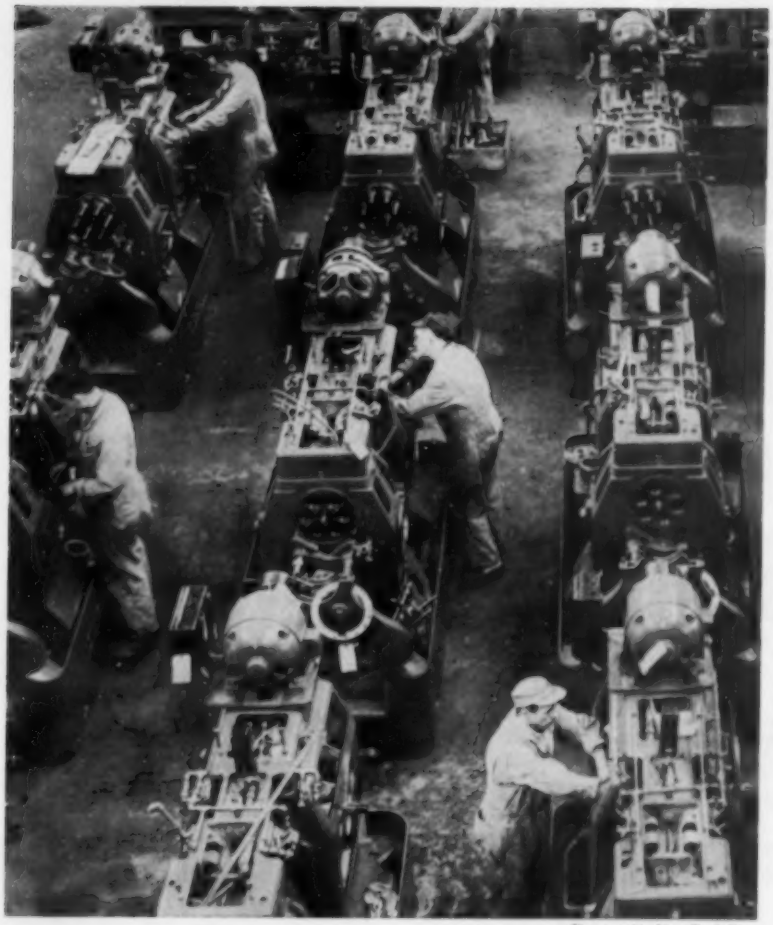

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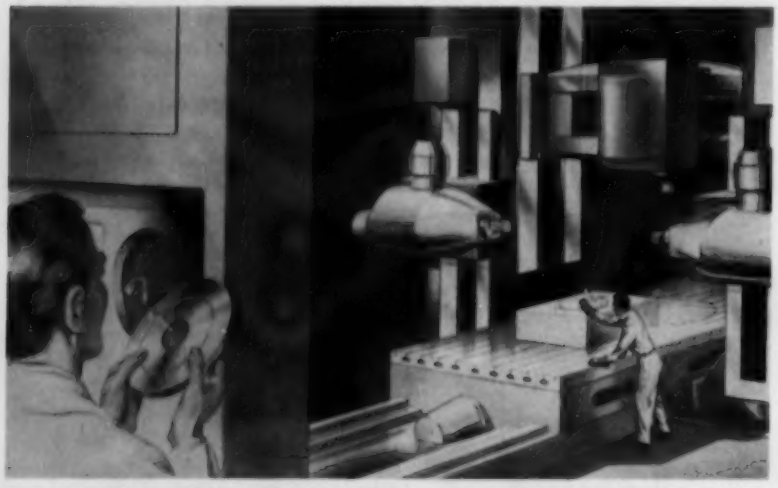

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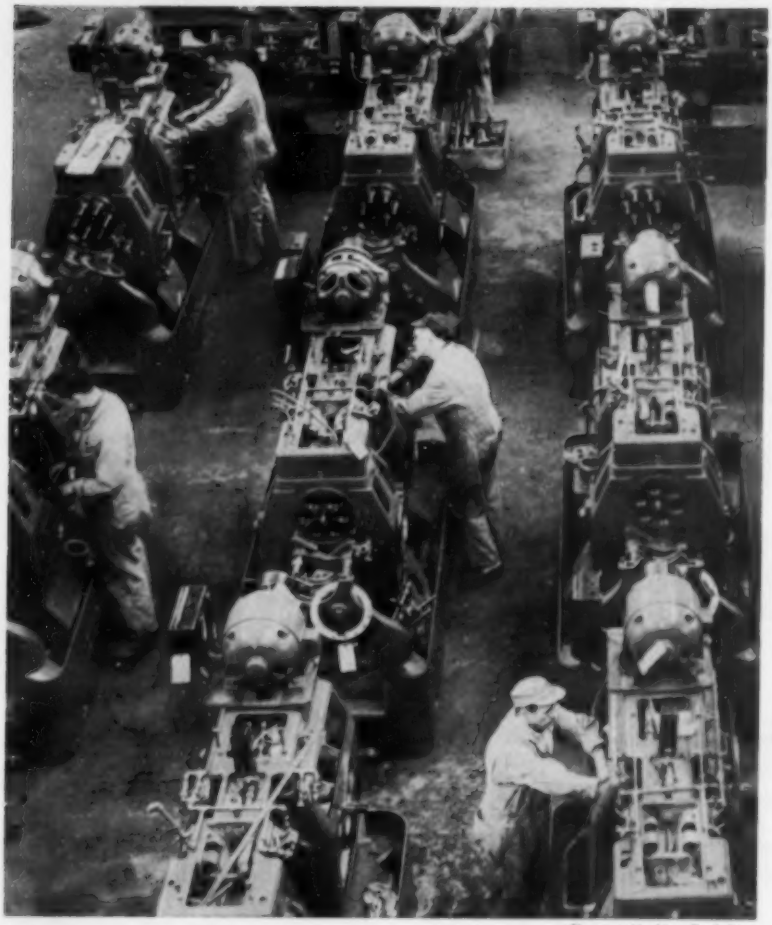

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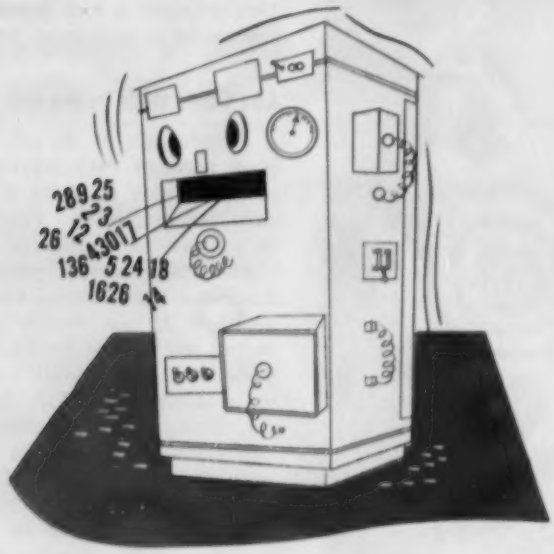

Better U.S. Statistics Coming

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The President set the tone when he said in his budget message: "We do not have all the statistical information required in our dynamic economy. I recommend a government-wide effort to improve statistics."

Where?—At least three groups are working on the problem: The Chamber of Commerce's Committee on Business Statistics, the Bureau of the Budget's Advisory Council on Federal Reports; and the Joint Committee on the Economic Report's Subcommittee on Economic Statistics.

What do they recommend? The chamber advises more concentration on employment, unemployment, wage, price, construction, housing, population and national income figures, with particular emphasis on unemployment. It points out that present jobless data do not tell where the unemployed are, or reveal their usual or previous occupations. It also calls for a series on value added by distribution, similar to the present one on value added by manufacture.

Misleading — The Budget Bureau's advisory council criticizes past census taking of manufacturers. For example: The 1947 census showed 68 establishments producing nails and spikes, with shipments valued at $30,038,000. The unwary would never realize that less than 20 per cent of total U.S. shipments were represented—$100 million worth of nails and spikes were produced as secondary products by other producers, chiefly steel mills.

The congressional subcommittee to study the matter is just now getting re-established. The new chairman will be Rep. Richard Bolling (Dem., Mo.). Under Republican control of Congress, the chairman was Rep. Henry O. Talle (Rep., Iowa).

Consent Decree

A unique consent agreement has been negotiated by a Federal Trade Commission hearing examiner and five makers of steel drums.

While the whole thing could be upset when reviewed by the FTC, the decree commits the commission not to conclude that uniformity of prices by itself constitutes evidence of price fixing. It also promises to follow the basing point rules laid down by the Supreme Court in the Cement Institute case, rather than those in some of the later and more controversial cases. Finally, it bars any attempt to conclude that individual use of basing points, or other form of delivered pricing, constitutes a violation of the order.

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Pentagon Patter

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Steel Marking

Look for early approval of a marking system for selected military iron and steel products. The draft proposal is in the hands of steel producers. Their comments will be completed by about mid-April.

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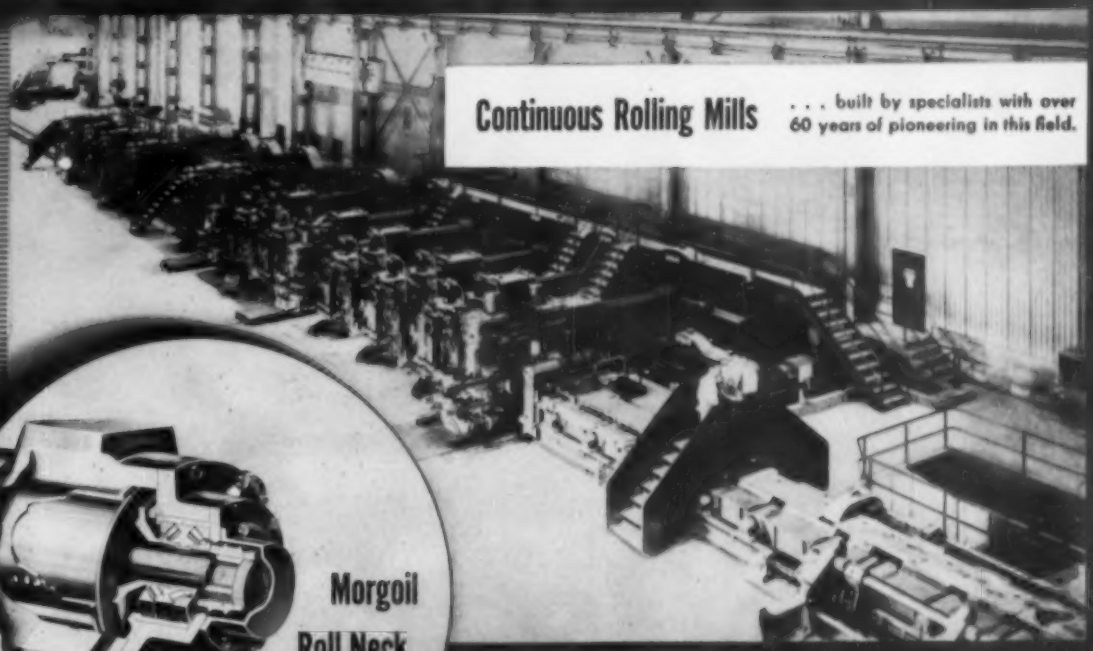

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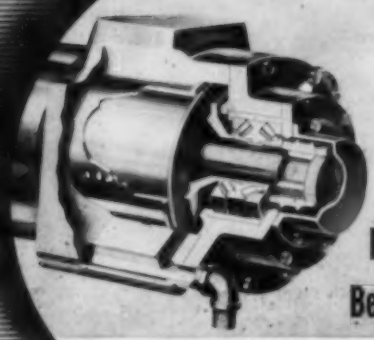

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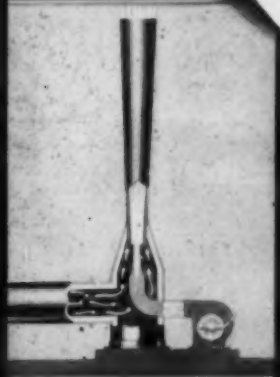

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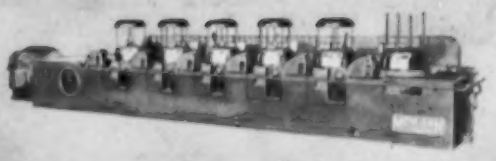

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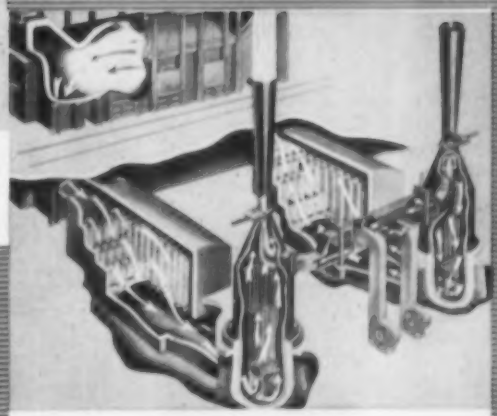

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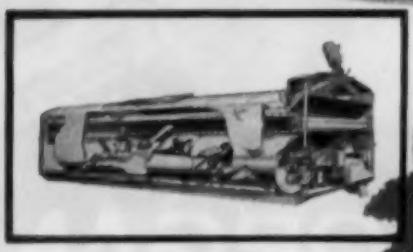

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Down Under—Australia is one place where the dollars will go. The World Bank has just awarded her a fourth loan to cover capital equipment imports, bringing the total up to $285 million. More than $27 million of the latest sum will be spent to improve roads and other means of transportation.

Only about one-quarter of Australia's road network is paved. The loan will finance the purchase of tractors, graders and other road construction equipment.

About $76 million of earlier loans is also to be spent on transportation, roads, rolling stock and air transportation.

East Africa — Here's another area where demands for improved transportation are making markets. Since 1947, traffic through port and rail systems of Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika has more than doubled. The World Bank has just loaned $24 million to help finance modernization of these facilities. Add to that a further $75 million to be borrowed on the London capital market, and you have the makings of a sizable program.

Work, to be completed by the end of 1957, includes building deep-water berths and other port facilities, construction of new track and improvement of the permanent way.

Wheels Mean Business—Despite some slackening of trade with the U. S., Europe also offers potential for increasing sales of construction, mining and excavating machinery. Europeans are taking to wheels as never before. Although auto production is breaking records in England, Germany and France, the market is still far from satisfied. England still has 12-month waiting lists for popular cars, despite production of 1-million-plus units last year. In England, as in the other European countries, roads are already overflowing and must be improved.

Also, in Germany and other Western European nations, prewar aviation networks are being revived and expanded. New airport construction is still a big factor in equipment sales horizons.

Capital Equipment—Exports to Latin America are being increased as well, both to build processing plants for raw materials previously exported and to build a road and rail system capable of handling the new flow of goods and traffic. According to Machinery & Allied Products Institute figures, railway transportation equipment sales to Latin America rose from $17.8 to $31 million in 1954 from 1953.

Other coming expansions that spell markets for U. S. capital equipment: Iraq will spend $2.5 million for airports and roads this year. NATO plans projects worth over $13.6 million in France and Turkey. Fund for South Italy (Cassa per il Mezzogiorno) is authorized to spend up to $175 million annually for land reclamation, development of roads, railways, aqueducts and sewers.

Outlook — American foreign trade authorities are expecting these factors to boost construction machinery business some 15 to 25 per cent from last year, to a total volume of at least $400 million. Some predict 1956 will be better.

Design Service Sells Diecastings

CAN A PARTS SUPPLIER design the end product for his customer? A job diecaster who believes "you have to go off the highway to get customers today" is working wonders by doing it.

By helping your customer, you're helping yourself, found Precision Casting Co. Inc., Fayetteville, N. Y. "Our interest and our customer's interest are one and the same," explains W. J. During, president. "Product design is an important way to diversify and is proving to be a sound approach to a rapidly expanding future."

Calculated Risk—Wrapping a package around an idea, Precision invests its technical talent in calculated speculation. For a lawn mower manufacturer, Clemson Bros. Inc., Middletown, N. Y., Precision design engineers visualized a power machine with eye and sales appeal, which they translated into engineering drawings and a clay model. The gamble paid off: The mower was well suited for application of diecast components (it uses 38 of them!). Precision got the job (see photograph above).

A co-operative venture in design was the Ronson Windlite cigaret lighter. Ronson wanted a sturdy case with the fewest possible parts and with good chrome plating properties. Zinc diecastings were investigated and found to be a natural. Die design and gating were critical; close control of the casting was mandatory to achieve jeweler's finish and because the reservoir was to be sealed by mechanical expansion of a synthetic rubber gasket (an adaptation of the O-ring principle to an irregular shape). The finished case is a unique combination of diecastings and steel stampings.

Service Sells—This expansion of customer service, which branches into design ideas and mechanical improvements, offers a sizable potential in selling small companies on the merits of the diecasting process, Precision believes.

A distinction is drawn between hard-sell and oversell. "Logically and economically, there are many products that can be diecast," Mr. During tells his sales engineers, but—"never sell a misapplication."

Biggest Job—This is only one of Precision's formulas for keeping its nine plants and more than 2500 employees busy turning out over $30 million worth of diecastings yearly. Termed the largest independent diecasting company in the country, Precision sells to over 400 firms in widely diverse fields, such as hardware, electrical equipment, photographic equipment, office machinery, machine tools, plumbing, heating and sporting goods. In terms of dollars, Precision makes its greatest sales to the auto industry, as do most diecasters.

A neat sales accomplishment has been the strong position of the company in serving the auto industry despite big captive capac-

ity of automakers. On 1955 models, Precision is processing grilles (for Buick, Packard, Nash, Studebaker and Hudson) and innumerable other parts, such as bezels, insignia, moldings and carburetors.

The job caster provides an alternate supply source in event of disaster or strike. He also represents know-how in a specialized art.

Sales Upturn—The auto industry promises to gulp a big portion of diecastings produced in 1955—estimated at over $400 million for job shops alone. Last year, sales slid from 1953's record $320 million to $268 million.

Shipments, including those of captive shops, are expected to consume 280,000 tons of zinc and 137,500 tons of aluminum in 1955, against 221,000 tons of zinc and 112,500 tons of aluminum in 1954. The increase will stem from autos: New models use eight times more zinc than last year's; one model takes nearly 40 lb. Grilles are the big zinc user, automatic transmissions the big aluminum user. The trend toward diecast grilles started in 1936, was reversed toward stampings with plating restrictions and now is swinging back again. The selling point for diecastings is the design freedom they allow stylists.

Volume Process—Diecasting is essentially a volume process because of the investment tied up in dies. Die materials are undergoing close scrutiny for ways to increase die life. Casters have raised their sights toward die materials that can stand 1800-2000° F. The industry is seeking die steels that will allow using higher melting point aluminum alloys. Finding them will not only boost aluminum's applications, but could also point the way to economical diecasting of brass. Some diecasters believe industry's volume could be doubled by the development of successful brass diecasting techniques.

Magnesium developments will gather momentum also, say technicians. The casting cycle is as fast as it is with aluminum, but oxide formation in the dies, metal shrinkage and dross loss are problems. With their solution, magnesium could approach aluminum in dollar sales.

Methods Improve — Die techniques have also improved tremendously, points out Precision's engineering vice president, J. J. Punke. For the 1955 Packard grille, 7000 hours were required to tool a 4-ton die which produces a 12-lb part. Combination dies and multiple cavity dies are in common use. Inserts (such as heating elements) can now be cast in the part. New markets have been reached by swinging into products of high strength and size and use of bigger machines with faster cycles.

Diecasters' sights are centering on these industries for important new gains: Home appliances, electrical ware, office equipment, radio and television, photography and optics and builders hardware. The diecasting industry, confident that they can be sold, is aggressively going off the highway to do it.

CRUSADING PAYS FOR BILL DURING, his Precision Castings Co. Inc. and his industry.

A man with a mission—spreading the gospel about diecasting—he has interpreted his industry to governmental officials in two wars and for years has been showing manufacturers what zinc, aluminum and magesium diecastings can do for them.

Ten-Gallon-Hat Trademark—Rising from the tool and die ranks in the West, Bill built his first diecasting machine from a photograph, using a man's foot in the picture for scale. With that crude machine he won his first contract, and later organized his own company in California before joining Precision as chief engineer 33 years ago.

Diecasting was in the doghouse during World War II because of high porosity resulting from low pressure casting and nonstandard alloy formulation which caused many failures. Bill During helped get it out by promoting standards. He chairmanned a committee which solved the aluminum scrap problem. It devised means of turning pots and pans into a homogeneous alloy which broke the fuse production bottleneck.

Quality, Prices—As a leader in his industry, Bill During has been outspoken in support of the "Certified Zinc" program to maintain quality and in his pleas for stable metal prices.

Now president of American Die Castings Institute, Bill During urged Defense Mobilizer Arthur Flemming last month to authorize governmental control of scrap aluminum exports which were causing havoc in the procurement of material needed for diecastings.

Education—Industrial scholarships for the study of diecastings in colleges and industrial campaigns to sponsor educational programs are his pet projects.

Despite extensive activities on behalf of the industry, Bill During knows nearly every one of his employees. Mindful of technical needs of the industry, he encourages company engineering and production clinics to promote cross-fertilization of employee ideas.

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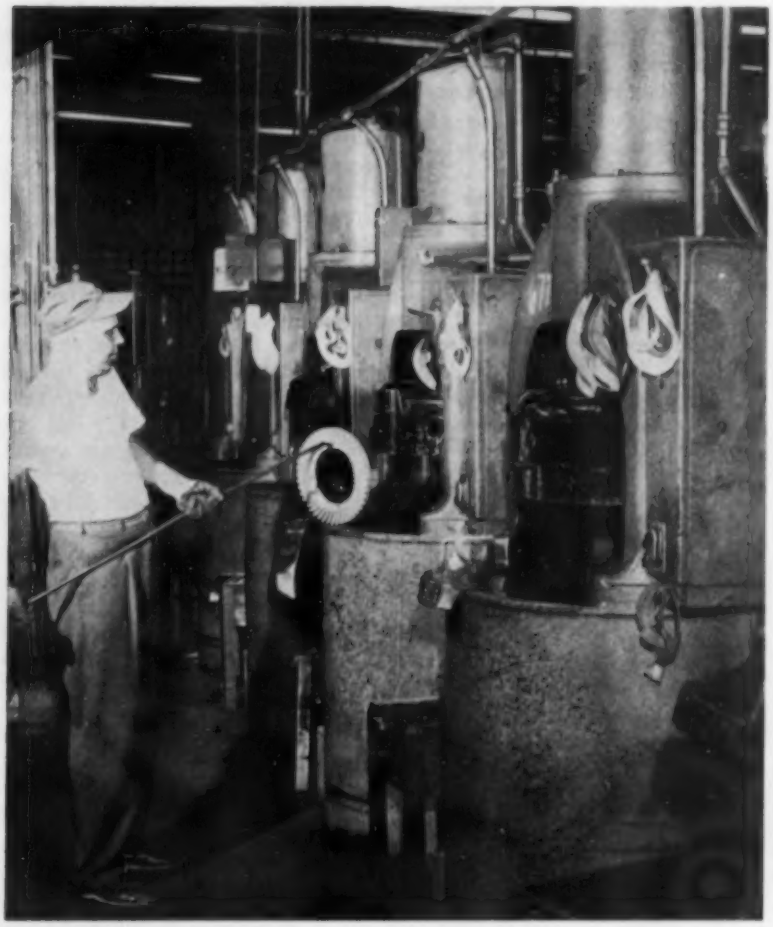

Production of ring gears and everything else climbs as . . .

Restyled Chrysler Corp. Revives

AS A LIFE INSURANCE croupier, Prudential is more than hep on longevity. But some wondered if the rock of Gibraltar was cracking up when it bet $250 million that Chrysler Corp. was not about to become the Chrysler corpse.

Comeback—Increasing evidence that Prudential was prudential, indeed, is supplied by word that Chrysler earned more during the first two months of this year than it did in 1954. Shipments of cars for the first three months of this year break all previous first-quarter records. And it will be the second highest quarter in the company's history. The firm nabbed 19.4 per cent of the industry's total during January and produced 20 per cent of 1955 cars built, according to *Ward's Automotive Reports.*

Chrysler Corp. has turned out more than 670,000 of its 1955 models and has orders for 270,000 more. The firm is building about 34,000 cars a week, compared with 15,000 a week just a year ago. As Chrysler goes to the bank with a first-quarter pay check of $935 million in sales, it's common talk that the firm is on its way "back."

How It Began — Interestingly enough, Chrysler's "comeback" really started in 1950 when to all outward appearances it was doing well. At that time, executives of the corporation realized that if the firm did not progress onward and upward it would move downward and outward quickly. Key to the problem was an organization that had grown too large for central staff control. Under Chrysler's energetic new president, L. L. Colbert, careful study began on what was required.

Scrutiny of other corporate structures indicated that Chrysler's situation was not precisely similar to any; hence the firm set out to develop its own. Now working on the job is a divisionalization team. Made up of 20 top departmental men, it mirrors the corporation in miniature. Under their advisement, the firm established its divisions as autonomous profit centers and created a new division to handle defense work.

Restyling — The restyling of Chrysler Corp. products perhaps has overshadowed the restyling of the corporation this year, but over the long pull, divisions with staffs having authority and opportunity to move ahead promise to bring new competitive strength. And that's only part of the fundamental thesis under which the firm probably will operate.

It appears that the capacity race will find Chrysler a growingly enthusiastic competitor. Recently announced is an expansion program totaling close to $150 million. It includes a new Chrysler Division plant, a Plymouth V-8 engine plant and a one-third increase in the engineering facilities in Detroit, plus a new PowerFlite transmission plant at Kokomo, Ind. Also under way is a complete modernization of facilities purchased from Briggs last year.

Capacity Background—The reason Chrysler must get into the capacity race and stay there is obvious: In 1953, the firm turned out more cars than any other year in its history; but with the exception of strike-disrupted 1950, it wound up with the smallest share of the market since 1932. Also a problem: A firm with a hot line of cars must have the capacity to crank them

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out or the iron cools quickly. Getting cars on the road quickly so the public thinks "that's the way a car ought to look," is a proved Detroit axiom. It pays off in the sales department.

As capacity increases, the establishment of more autonomous divisions is probable. A PowerFlite transmission division, an engine division, etc., could be a result of grouping similar operations for maximum economy. Dodge, traditionally the manufacturing mogul of the corporation, is finding operations taken over by such divisions as the new Plymouth engine plant. Don't expect the divisionalization team to be disbanded quickly. The philosophy of dynamic growth and continual readjustment for increased efficiency is evident in the corporate outlook.

Corporate History—Perhaps the need for such an approach can be illustrated by Chrysler's growth during its 30-year history. Established with 12 plants, comprising 12 million sq ft of floor space, the corporation now operates more than 50 plants, with almost 40 million sq ft of floor space. Over 9 million of the 18.5 million vehicles the firm has built were made during the last ten years. Expenditures for plant and equipment since World War II are approaching $750 million.

George W. Troost, Chrysler Corp. financial vice president, reports: " . . . everyone underestimated the amount of stimulation that would result from new models by the entire industry." He estimates that 1955 may be one of the top two or three years, if not the top year in industry volume, "provided there is no major interruption of car and truck production." He reiterates that the firm wants 20 per cent of the industry's volume, which probably would indicate a record year for it.

Look Ahead—But that's only the immediate year. The firm's chief statistician, W. C. Flaherty, feels the industry can look forward to strong business activity during the next decade. Population should reach 177 million by 1960, an increase of 25 million over 1950. Perhaps even more important, is the growth of a "great, new, middle-income class with an annual income of $4000 to $7500 before taxes. Only 14 per cent of the nation's families in 1946 had such an income, while in 1952 that group had grown to one out of three families." This group, Mr. Flaherty believes, has the means and desire to buy goods and services.

Chrysler, you may be sure, figures to cash in on the opportunities.

The contrast of 1955 with 1954 is already an indication that restyled Chrysler products are finding success. Although bumps like the Guaranteed Annual Wage lie in the road ahead, the prospects of success for the restyled corporation look pretty good, too.

Auto, Truck Output

U. S. and Canada

	1955	1954
January	780,780	594,467
February	770,591†	574,215
March	920,000*	672,485
April	.....	676,248
May	.....	621,262
June	.....	623,732
July	.....	543,540
August	.....	523,799
September	.....	364,441
October	.....	312,078
November	.....	616,395
December	.....	761,954
Total	.....	6,884,616

Week Ended	1955	1954
Feb. 26	195,079	145,980
Mar. 5	192,892	139,263
Mar. 12	203,149	143,478
Mar. 19	212,776	154,895
Mar. 26	216,777	149,586
Apr. 2	214,500*	146,498

Source: Ward's Automotive Reports. †Preliminary. *Estimated by STEEL.

Woman's World?

A new merchandising angle is being introduced by Hudson division of American Motors Corp. Its sales vice president, N. K. Van Derzee, announces a new house-to-house Hudson Rambler sales campaign entitled, "Every Woman Should Have a Car of Her Own." This is a refreshing sound of people out to sell automobiles.

If this plan catches on, you should see a sharp increase in the number of ramblin' ladies, not to mention their husbands.

Rambler Rambling

The Rambler (now being sold by both Hudson and Nash dealers) offers a lot of transportation for the money. Equipped with automatic transmission, reclining seats and air conditioning, this car delivers for less than many a stripped conventional car. And if you go for the cross-country model, it offers plenty of plush for the dough, as well as nice cargo capacity.

Acceleration in the car remains in the average department, but the economy is well above average, and you can't have everything. Biggest improvement in 1955 is the cut out for the front wheels which relaxes the driver like a fat lady just out of her corset. Why the car wasn't built that way from the start seems a fair question. Certainly the new version is 100 per cent improved.

Handling is satisfactory. At speeds of 70 mph or so, the car seems quite at home on the road. Passing torque, of course, suffers a bit for the economy factor, and the engine seems a bit wound out if the kick down is used above moderate speeds. The instruments are closely grouped and the dash offers no reflection problems, though lights instead of ammeter and oil pressure gage, will bother a few.

Exhaust Notes

Production of l'Universelle, the dream truck built by GMC Truck & Coach Division, is reported "as quickly as possible" by Harlow Curtice. Although not all the features in the dream version will be retained, it can be expected that enough will be there to justify the name. Should the truck be built as shown, GMC engineers, who just last week picked up a Citroen for study, will have to go hard.

Also of interest was Mr. Curtice's statement that GM has produced 1,175,000 passenger cars in the first quarter for a new record. It's 35 per cent higher than 1954's mark, the company's previous first-quarter peak. Truck production is reduced, he notes, because of unit loss sustained in bringing out the new Chevrolet and GMC lines. But he points out that despite the high production rate, dealers' stocks remain abnormally low in relation to the rate of sales.

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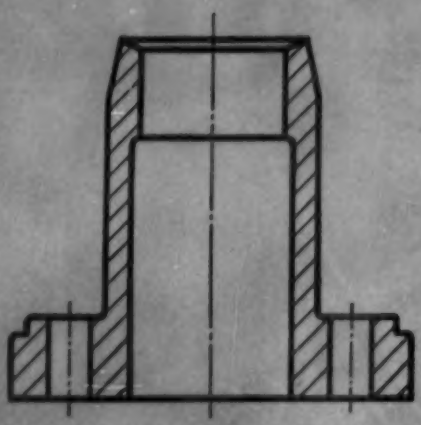

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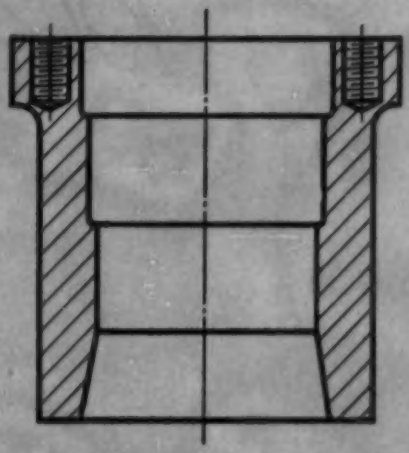

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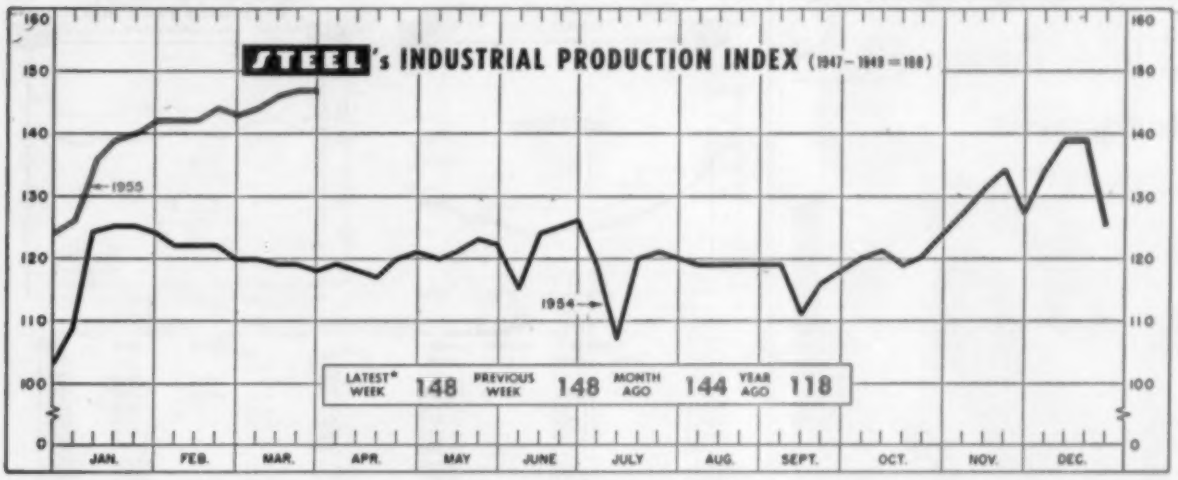

*Week ended Mar. 26. Based upon and weighted as follows: Steel Output 35%; Electric Power Output 32%; Freight Car Loadings 22%; and Auto Assemblies 11%.

Rising Production Rewrites Record Books

RECORD BREAKING is becoming a habit in 1955. Autos, construction and department store sales are just a few of the front runners. Steel, appliances and industrial production in general aren't far behind previous peaks.

Autos and still more autos are destined to roll off production lines in coming months. Some 737,000 cars are scheduled for April, according to *Ward's Automotive Reports*. That's down a little from March, mainly because of two less working days, but 38 per cent higher than April of last year.

Forecast—Predictions are coming out that 1955 may be the industry's best year:

Harlow H. Curtice, president of General Motors Corp., says: "Public demand for automobiles so far in 1955 indicates that passenger car volume could be at least 20 per cent better than last year's. Potentially, 1955 can be a better year than 1950, the industry's peak production and sales year."

Records—All five GM passenger car divisions set new retail sales records for both new and used cars from Jan. 1 to Mar. 20.

George W. Troost, financial vice president, Chrysler Corp., says: "We at Chrysler have lifted our sights in recent weeks. At the present time, there are many indications that 1955 will be one of the top two or three years, if not the top year, in industry volume—provided, of course, there is no major interruption of car and truck production."

He also said Chrysler's shipments of cars and trucks for the first three months of this year will break previous first-quarter records and will be second highest for any quarter in the company's history.

Building Sprints—The construction boom "ain't done yet." Heavy construction contracts scooted up to $545 million, largest weekly volume in 15 months, in the latest week reported by *Engineering News-Record*.

The dramatic climb pushed

BAROMETERS OF BUSINESS

	LATEST PERIOD*	PRIOR WEEK	YEAR AGO
INDUSTRY			
Steel Ingot Production (1000 net tons)[2]	2,258	2,262	1,648
Electric Power Distributed (million kwhr)	9,825[1]	9,814	8,491
Bitum. Coal Output (1000 tons)	8,050	8,310	6,908
Petroleum Production (daily av.—1000 bbl)	6,800[1]	6,858	6,452
Construction Volume (ENR—millions)	$544.8	$374.8	$283.6
Automobile, Truck Output (Ward's—units)	216,777	212,776	149,586
TRADE			
Freight Car Loadings (unit—1000 cars)	660[1]	656	601
Business Failures (Dun & Bradstreet, no.)	230[1]	226	277
Currency in Circulation (millions)[3]	$29,719	$29,801	$29,632
Dept. Store Sales (changes from year ago)[3]	+14%	+11%	−13%
FINANCE			
Bank Clearings (Dun & Bradstreet, millions)	$21,185	$21,131	$20,426
Federal Gross Debt (billions)	$274.3	$277.8	$270.5
Bond Volume, NYSE (millions)	$14,622	$18,404	$16,797
Stocks Sales, NYSE (thousands of shares)	12,377	14,528	9,167
Loans and Investments (billions)[4]	$84.9	$84.2	$80.8
U. S. Govt. Obligations Held (billions)[4]	$34.4	$34.2	$32.8
PRICES			
STEEL's Finished Steel Price Index[5]	194.53	194.53	189.74
STEEL's Nonferrous Metal Price Index[6]	227.4	227.3	208.6
All Commodities[7]	110.1	110.0	110.8
Commodities Other Than Farm & Foods[7]	115.5	115.5	114.4

*Dates on request. [1]Preliminary. [2]Weekly capacities, net tons: 1955, 2,413,278; 1954, 2,384,549. [3]Federal Reserve Board. [4]Member banks, Federal Reserve System. [5]1935-1939=100. [6]1936-1939=100. [7]Bureau of Labor Statistics Index, 1947-1949=100.

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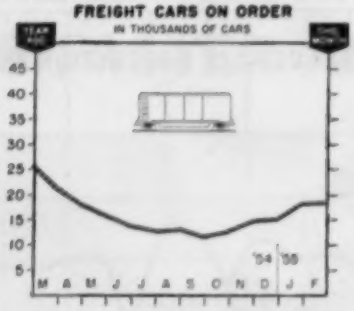

	Awards		Backlogs (end of month)	
	1955	1954	1955	1954
Jan.	5,097	3,942	18,395	27,959
Feb.	2,690	2,057	18,633	25,441
Mar.	.....	348	.....	20,966
Apr.	.....	909	.....	17,817
May	.....	1,071	.....	15,615
June	.....	1,139	.....	13,880
July	.....	853	.....	12,809
Aug.	.....	2,425	.....	13,013
Sept.	.....	2,306	.....	11,903
Oct.	.....	2,704	.....	12,853
Nov.	.....	2,754	.....	14,805
Dec.	.....	2,685	.....	15,317
Total	.....	23,313		

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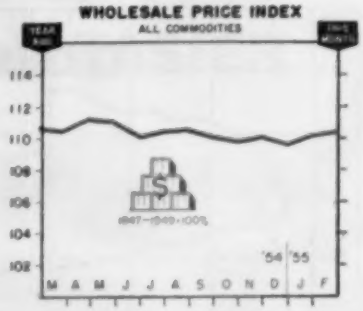


	1955	1954	1953
Jan.	110.1	110.9	109.9
Feb.	110.4	110.5	109.6
Mar.	.....	110.5	110.0
Apr.	.....	111.0	109.4
May	.....	110.9	109.5
June	.....	110.0	109.5
July	.....	110.4	110.9
Aug.	.....	110.5	110.6
Sept.	.....	110.0	111.0
Oct.	.....	109.7	110.2
Nov.	.....	110.0	109.8
Dec.	.....	109.5	110.1

U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

1955's volume to a new record of $4 billion, 63 per cent above that of a year ago and 9 per cent over the old record set in 1953.

Private construction spearheaded the uprising at $410.7 million. Mass housing was second only to the record week in January, 1953. A new record of $104.1 million was set in commercial building. Industrial construction showed a sharp increase to $64.6 million. Commercial and industrial building are both up more than 50 per cent from a year ago.

Machine Tools Hold Gains . . .

New orders for machine tools have climbed for the third straight month. The index of the National Machine Tool Builders Association is a preliminary 209.7 (1945-46-47 = 100) for February, best for any month since September, 1953. New order volume was almost double November's low of 119.5.

But shipments, except for January's, were at the lowest level since mid-1951, reflecting the drop off of new orders through most of 1954. Now that orders are picking up, shipments should follow.

More heat treating equipment is being sold, too. In February, furnace orders of $5.6 million were received by members of the Industrial Heating Equipment Association Inc. That's an increase of 82 per cent over February, 1954, according to Carl L. Ipsen, executive vice president.

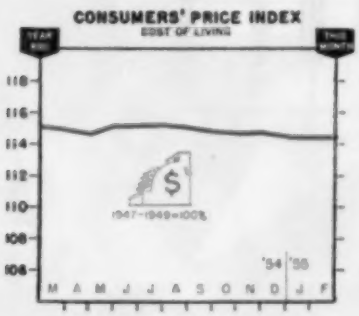
Orders have shown an upward trend since December. That month, plus January and February of this year, exceed the year-earlier period by an average of 78 per cent, says Mr. Ipsen.

Appliances Start Fast . . .

Appliances are starting off to make a near-record year out of 1955. Production is high. So is confidence on the part of both producers and buyers.

Last year was a pretty good one for appliance people. This one looks even better. A Federal Reserve Board survey (see STEEL, Mar. 28, p. 49) shows more consumers planning to buy major appliances this year than they did in 1954.

Production has started off high. Factory sales of home laundry appliance in January set a record for the month. February slipped 2 per cent under that but was still 28.6 per cent above the 1954 month, according to the American



	1955	1954	1953
Jan.	114.3	115.2	113.9
Feb.	114.3	115.0	113.4
Mar.	....	114.8	113.6
Apr.	....	114.6	113.7
May	....	115.0	114.0
June	....	115.1	114.5
July	....	115.2	114.7
Aug.	....	115.0	115.0
Sept.	....	114.7	115.2
Oct.	....	114.5	115.4
Nov.	....	114.6	115.0
Dec.	....	114.3	114.9

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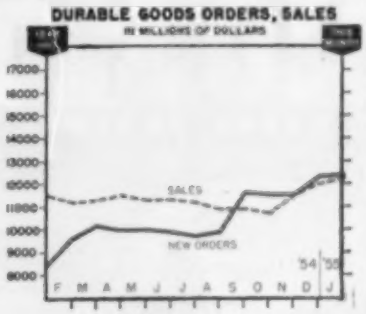

	New Orders*		Sales*	
	1955	1954	1955	1954
Jan.	12,466	8,475	12,294	11,550
Feb.	.....	9,629	.....	11,278
Mar.	.....	10,208	.....	11,385
Apr.	.....	10,021	.....	11,502
May	.....	10,050	.....	11,344
June	.....	9,985	.....	11,395
July	.....	9,700	.....	11,287
Aug.	.....	9,978	.....	10,952
Sept.	.....	11,609	.....	10,933
Oct.	.....	11,478	.....	10,664
Nov.	.....	11,521	.....	11,569
Dec.	.....	12,294	.....	11,902

*Seasonally adjusted. U. S. Office of Business Economics.

Home Laundry Manufacturers Association.

Kitchen appliances (ranges, refrigerators) are also off to a good start, preliminary data show. TV started off 1955 much stronger than in good 1954. The industry's sales are estimated at more than 20 per cent better than a year ago. Radios slipped in 1954, partly because of lower auto output, but they're coming back well this year.

March is usually a good production month; April generally shows some slackness. This year, the dip may be greater than usual because of the tightness in steel. Some producers are already talking about considerable slowdown if steel doesn't loosen up— not likely with autos setting records.

More New Businesses . . .

New business incorporations are picking up right along with the uptrend in business. A February record of 11,369, plus the all-time monthly peak of 13,181 in January, makes a record for the two-month period also, according to Dun & Bradstreet Inc.

Encouraging, too, is a recent slowdown of business failures. In February, they were lowest since last October. For the first time in 22 months, they were less numerous than in the same month of the previous year.

Trends Fore and Aft . . .

Bookings of fabricated structural steel were 468,257 tons in the first two months of 1955, up 24,000 tons from the like 1954 period, reveals the American Institute of Steel Construction . . . Gear sales in February were 5.4 per cent over January's, reports the American Gear Manufacturers Association . . . Sales recovery of power shovels and cranes, which began late last year, picked up speed in the first quarter, says C. B. Smythe, president, Thew Shovel Co. . . . Metal weather stripping sales for the first two months of 1955 were 36.8 per cent ahead of the like 1954 period, states the Weatherstrip Research Institute. . . Billings by Otis Elevator Co. in 1955 should at least equal last year's all-time high of $105 million for elevators and service, predicts LeRoy A. Peterson, president . . . Gardner-Denver Co., maker of a wide variety of industrial tools, had sales of about $8.8 million in first quarter, up substantially from a year ago, estimates Gifford V. Leece, president.

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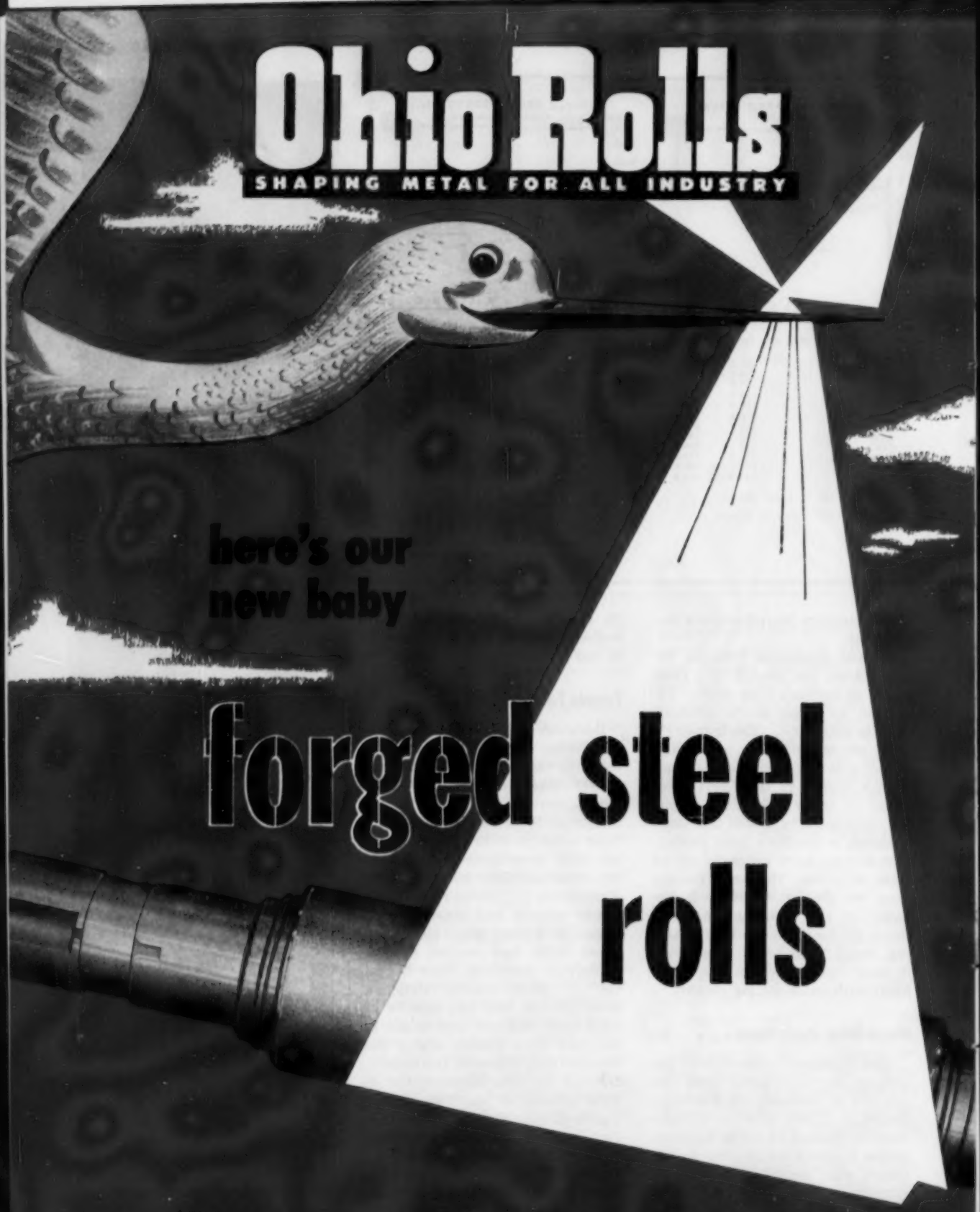

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Glenn M. Herring was made manager-steel mill sales for **Hanson-Van Winkle-Munning Co.**, Matawan, N. J. **William H. Brown** was made sales representative at Philadelphia for eastern Pennsylvania; **Frank W. Mountain** at Pittsburgh for western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Alabama.

Edward H. D. Gibbs was made vice president-sales of **Heyl & Patterson Inc.**, Pittsburgh.

Vincent E. Lysaght was made general sales manager, **American Chain & Cable Co. Inc.**, New York.

Darwin H. Deaver was elected vice president and general manager, **Automatic Electric Sales Corp.**, Chicago.

Edward C. Conner was made works manager of the Greensburg, Pa., Works of **Walworth Co.**

American Smelting & Refining Co., New York, appointed **Ralph W. Bailey** sales manager of its continuous-cast products department. He replaces **John L. Kimberley.**

Fred K. Krell was made assistant sales manager, fittings division, **Ladish Co.**, Cudahy, Wis.

Henry P. Stanley was made director of aviation sales, a new position at **AC Spark Plug Division**, General Motors Corp., Flint, Mich.

C. Allen Dolby was named general sales manager, **Brainard Steel Division**, Sharon Steel Corp., Warren, O. He was industrial sales manager at Weatherhead Co.

Don S. Connor was made general manager of **Micromatic Hone Corp.**, Detroit, retaining his title of executive vice president. **William H. Harris Jr.** was made vice president and assistant general manager; and **R. G. Ellis**, chief engineer.

Nicholson File Co., Providence, R. I., elected **Stanley Livingston Jr.** vice president - operations, **Charles E. Fogg** vice president-secretary, **E. Blair Le Fevre** vice president - engineering, **Bruce R. Zeiser** vice president-foreign sales, and **Edmond A. Neal**, vice president-domestic sales.

Walter J. Wood was named vice president-sales, **Kennedy Valve Mfg. Co. Inc.**, Elmira, N. Y. He was eastern division manager of tubular sales for A. O. Smith Corp.

Pittsburgh Coke & Chemical Co., Pittsburgh, appointed **W. C. Hillman Jr.** manager of coke sales.

E. O. Mitchell replaces the late **K. L. Holmes** as purchasing agent, **Chicago Pump Co.**, Chicago. **J. Zelenietz** becomes assistant purchasing agent.

Franklin Farrel III was elected president, **Farrel-Birmingham Co. Inc.**, Ansonia, Conn., effective May 1. He succeeds **Franklin R. Hoadley**, who will retire. Mr. Farrel has been executive vice president since 1950. Newly elected vice presidents are **Edward S. Coe Jr.**, manager of the Ansonia and Derby, Conn., plants, who will also be assistant to the president; **Robert M. Honegger**, general manager of the Buffalo plant; and **Joseph LeMay**, who continues as treasurer. **Julius G. Day Jr.** is the new secretary and general counsel.

Harry J. Hemingway was elected president, **Advance Aluminum Castings Corp.**, Chicago, succeeding the late **Roy W. Wilson.** Mr. Hemingway is a former president and director of American Marietta Co.

Roy L. Blanchard, former director and vice president-operations, was elected president and general manager, **Beaver Precision Products Inc.**, Clawson, Mich., to succeed **Aubrey E. Streadwick** who continues as a director.

James G. Richmond was made manager of manufacturing at **Indiana Steel Products Co.**, Valparaiso, Ind.

Louis Syrbnik was made director of a special projects division of

CARL A. EVERSMAN
. . . manages Mullins' Salem plants

PHIL NORTON
. . . Wisconsin Motor executive v. p.

WILLIAM TAYLOR
. . . . directs Detroit Bevel Gear

S. & S Machinery Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Carl A. Eversman was named manager of **Mullins Mfg. Corp.'s** Salem, O., plants. He was director of sales promotion and analysis of Western Automatic Machine Screw Co.

Hayward F. York was named operating manager, jet engine plant, **Chrysler Corp.**, Detroit.

Leonard G. Taggart was made chief purchasing agent, radio and television division, **Sylvania Electric Products Inc.** He has headquarters at the Batavia, N. Y., assembly plant.

George B. Secor was named assistant to the president of **Gregory Industries Inc.**, Toledo, O. He was with Mather Spring Co. for many years.

Fabricators Steel Corp., Bladensburg, Md., appointed **Edward Stern** assistant general manager; **S. H. Burgess** sales manager, fabrication division; and **Victor Siegel** assistant treasurer and credit manager.

Trane Co., La Crosse, Wis., promoted **Werner G. Wassmandorf** to manager of the reciprocating compressor sales department; **Lloyd E. Eater** to manager, fluid cooler sales department; and **Wilfred R. Barnard** to head the UniTrane sales department.

Phil Norton, vice president-sales since 1950, was elected executive vice president of **Wisconsin Motor Corp.**, Milwaukee. **F. B. Esty** was advanced to chief engineer. **Ralph Switzer** was made director of research and development engineering.

Edgar R. O'Brien was elected vice president and general manager, **Edgcomb Steel of New England Inc.**, Milford, Conn. **William F. Vosmer** was made secretary.

C. Spence Purnell, sales executive for **Westinghouse Electric Corp.** in New York for many years, was named manager of the South Pacific district, with headquarters in Los Angeles. He succeeds **Stanley M. Johns**, who was made sales manager of the hydraulic drives department of the gearing division (Muncie, Ind.); **T. P. Dunkin** was named manager of manufacturing; and **P. L. Fosburg** was made engineering manager. Schneider Mfg. Corp., Muncie, a Westinghouse subsidiary, was recently dissolved to form the hydraulic drives department.

A. H. Jackson, former sales manager-tower department, equipment division, **Blaw-Knox Co.**, Pittsburgh, was promoted to general manager of the division's new engineering and development department.

Douglas Wallace was made a vice president of **Graybar Electric Co.**, New York.

Detroit Bevel Gear Co., Detroit, made **William Taylor** assistant to the president. In this capacity, Mr. Taylor is in charge of all company operations. He was purchasing agent for the past year.

At the Milwaukee plant of **Joseph T. Ryerson & Son Inc.**, **John J. McKeown** was made manager, work order department, to succeed **F. C. Wendorf**, resigned. **Gordon F. Witt** was named field representative, tubular products and cold finished bar department, to succeed **Harry L. Stourla**, who transferred to the Chicago plant on special assignment.

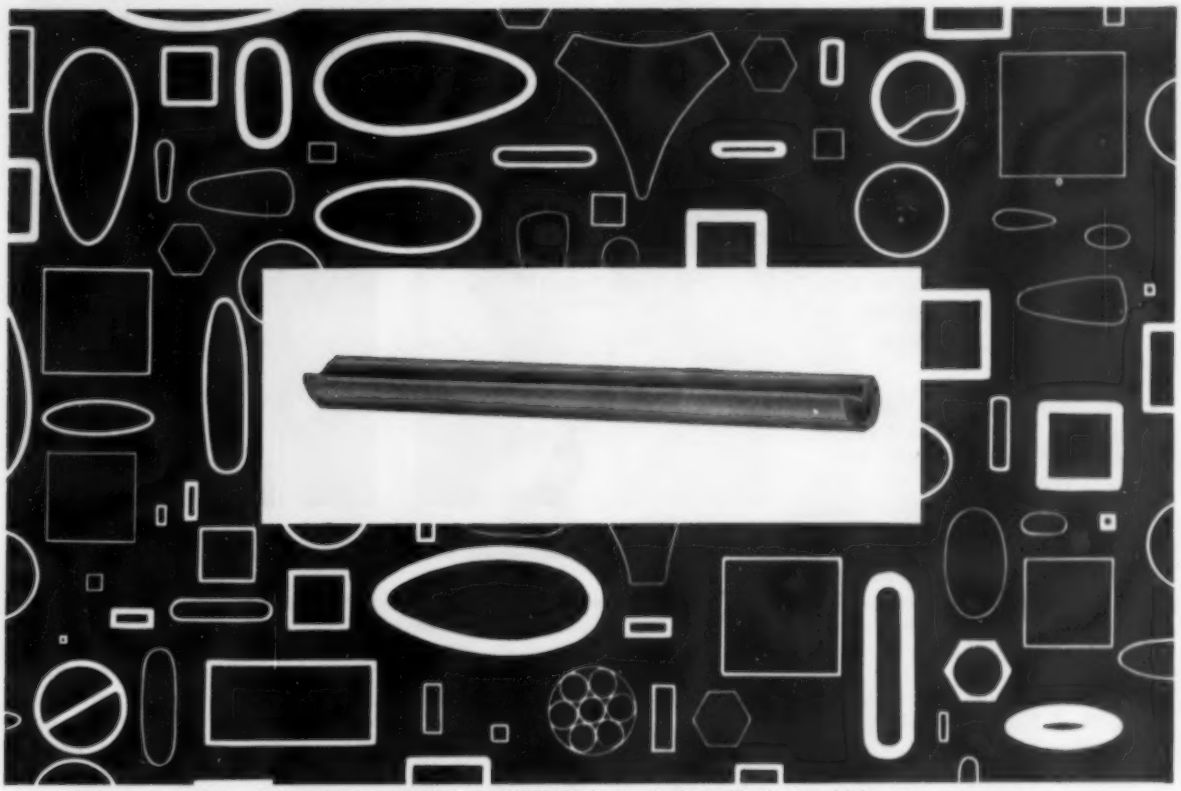
Cyril D. Oberg was named manager of aircraft and engine component sales, **Solar Aircraft Co.**, San Diego, Calif. **William F. Cords** was made assistant to Mr. Oberg.

A. M. Thomas was made director of sales for **Heller Bros. Co.**, Newcomerstown, O. He succeeds **Lawrence M. Rich.**

Ernest L. Mathy was elected vice president, general manager and a director of **National Welding Equipment Co.**, San Francisco.

Dever C. Warner, vice president-treasurer, was elected president of **Bridgeport Hydraulic Co.**, Bridgeport, Conn., to succeed **Samuel P. Senior**, who retains the offices of chairman and treasurer.

Kaiser Steel Corp., Oakland, Calif., made **John W. Miller** manager of



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Theodore Z. Herr was appointed chief engineer, **American Welding & Mfg. Co.**, Warren, O. He was chief engineer, building products division.

C. C. McDermand and **A. S. Krainik** were promoted to assistants to the president of Aluminum Goods Mfg. Co., Manitowoc, Wis., and **G. C. Kubitz** was made general sales manager.

Paul W. McDonald was made regional sales manager, western division, **R. M. Hollingshead Corp.** He will headquarter at the new Sunnyvale, Calif., plant, now nearing completion.

Ben H. Ward was made manager, factory division, **Lees-Bradner Co.**, Cleveland. He continues as assistant treasurer.

Utica Drop Forge & Tool Corp., Utica, N. Y., appointed **Frank L. Marshall** sales manager, tool division. He was vice president-general manager of Mayhew Steel Products Inc.

Ruth M. Slafter was named purchasing agent of **Automatic Spring Coiling Co.**, Chicago.

Daniel H. Dellinger was made assistant vice president in charge of research, development and quality control for **Great Lakes Steel Corp.**, Detroit, division of National Steel Corp.

John B. Dempsey, Detroit branch manager, was appointed manager of electric tool sales of **Thor Power Tool Co.**, Aurora, Ill. He is succeeded at Detroit by **Otto Shellenberger.**

A. F. Anzlovar was elected vice president of **Mercast Mfg. Corp.**, LaVerne, Calif.

CHARLES J. STILWELL

WALTER K. BAILEY

. . . chairman and president of Warner & Swasey Co.

Charles J. Stilwell was elected chairman of the board of **Warner & Swasey Co.**, Cleveland. He is succeeded as president by **Walter K. Bailey** who has been vice president since 1942.

Marshall E. Munroe was appointed director of procurement for **Massey-Harris-Ferguson Inc.**, Racine, Wis. He succeeds **A. A. Thornbrough** who was promoted to vice president of Massey-Harris-Ferguson Ltd., Toronto.

I. L. Place, vice president, assumes duties of general manager, **Heresite & Chemical Co.**, Manitowoc, Wis. **Robert Riha** was made sales manager.

Gilbert Tramer Co., Cleveland, appointed **Edward M. Grohs** assistant sales manager.

Paul J. Every was named assistant general sales manager, **Cummins Engine Co. Inc.**, Columbus, Ind.

Donald J. Zeigler was named Pittsburgh district sales manager, **Wright Hoist and Ford Chain Block Divisions**, American Chain & Cable Co. Inc.

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, appointed **R. Grant Fleck** manager of its New York ore division, formerly known as Benson Mines. **R. E. Durocher**, plant metallurgist, succeeds Mr. Fleck as assistant manager of the division. **Roger M. Wolcott** was promoted to assistant to the vice president-engineering and plant at the Gateway Center offices in Pittsburgh. **John F. Pollack** succeeds Mr. Wolcott as superintendent of the open hearth at the Pittsburgh Works.

Richard L. Erlin was named manager of engineering sales for **Kaiser Steel Corp.** at Oakland, Calif.

Ralph Gambol was named general manager of **Watts Mfg. Co.**, Watts, Calif.

Charles A. Schmidt was made product sales manager for AB breakers at **Federal Pacific Electric Co.**, Newark, N. J. He was with Westinghouse Electric Corp.

OBITUARIES...

Frank J. Anderson, 56, manager of sales for the San Francisco sales district of **Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp.**, died Mar. 15.

Victor H. Spohn, 59, president, **Victor Steel Co.**, Euclid, O., died Mar. 22. He had been in the steel warehousing business since 1917.

Robert W. Cramer, 60, founder and retired president of **R. W. Cramer Co. Inc.**, Centerbrook, Conn., died Mar. 10.

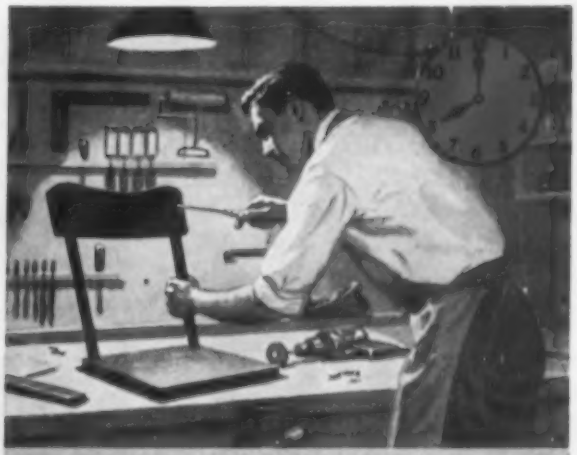
Leo F. Supple, 65, sales manager, **Standard Rolling Mill Division**, Revere Copper & Brass Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y., died Mar. 22.

Frank H. Wieland, 56, superintendent of **Trico Products Corp.'s** plant in Buffalo, died Mar. 21.

Frank C. Baumeister, 63, purchasing agent at **Eureka Electrical Products Co.**, North East, Pa., died Mar. 21.

Harry B. Lilley, Detroit manager, steel sales division, **Timken Roller Bearing Co.**, died Mar. 24.

6:00 P.M.—HOME. This is John's house, of which he is justly proud. Note that a sturdy chain link fence protects his privacy and property. On his windows you'll find insect wire screening. Springs on his doors. TV Guy Wire on the roof. Flower bed borders in his garden.



8:00 P.M.—WORKSHOP. John is a "do-it-yourself" man. This is his workshop. He probably doesn't realize it but the screw driver he's using is made from wire. The wire brush on his buffing wheel and the handle on the paint roller, too. And, of course, indispensable nails and screws.

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9:30 P.M.—LIVING ROOM. Here, we see John relaxing in the comfort of his living room, where wire is used in many forms. Upholstery springs in his furniture. Wire in his TV set. Lampshade wire and picture cord wire. Even the screen in front of his fireplace is made of wire.

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Republic Expands

Its Gadsden, Ala., plant will make hot, cold-rolled and galvanized sheets

MAJOR EXPANSION of Republic Steel Corp.'s plant at Gadsden, Ala., has the approval of the company's directors. Hot and cold-rolled sheets (in coils or cut lengths) and continuous galvanized sheets are to be produced there.

The facilities will establish Republic as an important source of sheets in the Southeast and will stabilize operations at the Gadsden plant, which have been sporadic in recent months. Demand for large diameter gas transmission pipe, a major product of the plant, has been fluctuating.

Equipment to be installed includes a continuous, 54-in., hot-strip mill, a continuous, 54-in., 3-stand tandem cold mill, a 54-in. temper mill, a continuous pickle line and annealing furnaces. Also included are finishing, shearing and shipping equipment and a 48-in., continuous galvanizing line. This equipment will permit the production of hot, cold-rolled and galvanized sheets up to 48 in. wide.

Rolling capacity in excess of present needs is provided. But Republic believes that its entry into this field not only will greatly expand the use of steel sheet by present manufacturers but will also encourage more fabricating companies to go into business in the Southeast. When full rolling capacity is reached, present steel ingot capacity at Gadsden undoubtedly will be supplemented.

Westinghouse Adjusts Prices

A new price policy on heavy electrical apparatus requiring long periods to manufacture was initiated in March by Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pittsburgh. The policy adjusts prices according to a formula incorporating monthly costs of material and labor as reported by the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. For adjustment purposes, the proportion of the contract price representing materials is figured at 35 per cent and the portion representing labor 55 per cent.

Westinghouse's former policy adjusted the original order price to a stated maximum percentage of the price in effect at the time of shipment. The new price adjustment policy may be applied by customers to orders and contracts which date back to Dec. 1, 1954.

The new price policy covers heavy rotating equipment, such as large turbine generators, waterwheel generators and synchronous condensers. Also included are large power transformers and large circuit breakers.

Sundstrand Forms Division

Sundstrand Hydraulic Division is now a separate entity, with its own management and facilities, says L. H. Schuette, vice president, Sundstrand Machine Tool Co., Rockford, Ill. Production of fuel units for precision hydraulic products is in full swing in a 106,000-sq-ft plant, at 2210 Harrison Ave., Rockford. A. H. Swenson is manager of the new division; R. W. Roper, manager of manufacturing. Sundstrand Aviation Division, maker of constant speed drives for the aircraft industry, is expanding its production facilities.

Air Products Adds New Line

Air Products Inc., Allentown, Pa., offers equipment for coke oven gas purification. Coke oven gas is used to produce ammonia synthesis gas in European practice.

Air Products acquired the technical know-how through an exclusive agreement with Dutch State Mines of Holland. Dutch State Mines is a principal manufacturer of ammonia synthesis gas from coke oven gas. It builds and operates low-temperature processing equipment for this purpose.

Sandvik Steel Building Plant

Sandvik Steel Inc., New York, suppliers of specialty strip steels, is building an 85,000-sq-ft plant in Fair Lawn, N. J. It will provide space for consolidation of the company and its four divisions in one central location. Present facilities are situated in three different places. Sandvik's divisions include conveyor, saw and tool, spring and carbide-tipped tools divisions. Facilities, to be installed early this spring, will be provided for rolling and slitting strip steel, manufacturing springs, fabricating steel belt conveyors and warehousing all Sandvik products.

Kaiser Metal Reorganizes

Under a reorganization program, Kaiser Metal Products Inc., Bristol, Pa., has combined its aircraft and commercial divisions. Duties of several key executives have been realigned. F. H. Bechill now is vice president and works manager; R. L. Collett, vice president in charge of sales and engineering; J. L. Hallett, vice president-production. Paul C. Meyer remains as vice president-administration, with additional duties resulting from the consolidation.

Producto Opens Warehouse

Producto Machine Co., Bridgeport, Conn., opened a branch assembly warehouse at 214 Rock Hill Rd., Bala Cynwyd (Philadelphia), Pa. J. Brandon Shaw is manager of the branch which will stock and assemble Producto die sets, as well as a complete line of die accessories, including guide pins and bushings, dowel pins, chrome-vanadium die springs and feeding equipment. The branch also will carry Producto machine vises and hand tapping machines.

Western Metal Buys Fabricator

Western Metal Specialty Co., Milwaukee, purchased Crippen Machine & Tool Co., Jackson, Mich., producer of small, deep-drawn and fabricated fuel tanks. In addition, the two companies can supply steel stampings, fabricated and assembled sheet steel parts.

Plans Porcelainizing Plant

Whirlpool Corp., St. Joseph, Mich., will build a porcelainizing plant in that city at an estimated cost of $2 million and will add 50,000 sq ft to present production area. The new plant facilities will be used for applying porcelain enamel to component parts for au-

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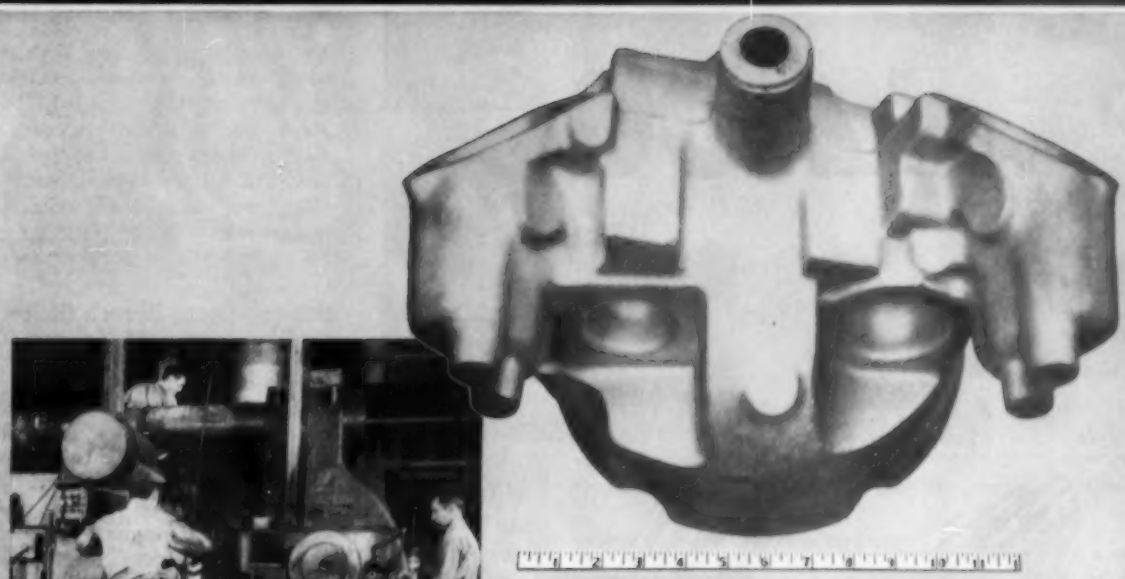

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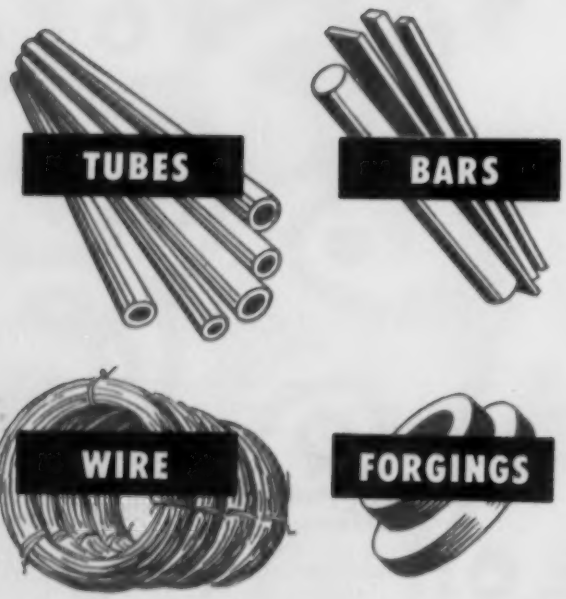

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tomatic washing machines and clothes dryers. They will supplement similar facilities of the Whirlpool plant at Clyde, O. Eventually, the company will eliminate the outside purchase of porcelain parts used in Whirlpool home laundry appliances.

Rheem Builds Fabricating Shop

Rheem Mfg. Co., New York, will construct a 14,000-sq-ft fabricating shop at its Richmond, Calif., plant to produce underground storage tanks and other specialty products. Rheem produces steel and fiber shipping containers, boilers and shells at its Richmond plant.

Denison Opens Branch Office

Denison Engineering Co., Columbus, O., officially opened its Midwest regional branch office at 7000 W. 63rd St., Chicago. This is a major step in the firm's program for decentralization of sales. The branch will have a wide inventory of all Denison products, including presses, press accessories, fluid motors, pumps and valves.

SKF Acquires Tyson

SKF Industries Inc., Philadelphia, acquired controlling interest in Tyson Bearing Corp., Massillon, O. Tyson manufactures a line of tapered roller bearings of a type not produced by SKF. Operations at Massillon will continue under present management.

Lockheed Buys Auto Plant

Lockheed Aircraft Corp., Burbank, Calif., purchased the Willys automobile plant in Maywood, Calif., to handle increased production. The plant has more than 350,000 sq ft of factory area and will be used for precision assembly and subassembly operations.

Barry Corp. Changes Name

Barry Corp., Watertown, Mass., changed its name to Barry Controls Inc. Established 11 years ago as a "war baby" making shock isolators for the Navy, Barry is intensifying its penetration of the

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Alvey-Ferguson Buys Firm

Alvey-Ferguson Co., Cincinnati, acquired Cincinnati Automatic Conveyor Co., that city.

Trailer Co. Builds Plant

Utility Trailer Mfg. Co., Los Angeles, trailer builder, started construction of the first unit of a $1-million plant near Puente, Calif. Floor space in the first building will cover 50,000 sq ft. Additional building will include 60,000 more sq ft. The first building is scheduled for completion about May 15; the complete building program should be finished by the end of 1956.

Tank Works Enlarges

Portland Copper & Tank Works Inc., Portland, Me., has added 21,000 sq ft of production space. The plant expansion program included installation of an annealing oven operating to 2400° F. Portland fabricates stainless steel and alloys for aviation and industrial equipment, dye vats, pipe and fittings, heat exchangers and copper and steel vessels.

Honan-Crane Changes Name

Honan-Crane Corp., Lebanon, Ind., changed its named to Houdaille-Hershey of Indiana Inc. Houdaille-Hershey Corp., Detroit, will establish a filtration division in its Lebanon subsidiary and will strengthen research, engineering and production facilities.

VEA Chemical Opens Lab

Vea Chemical Co., Cleveland, manufacturing chemists, opened a new laboratory to further research and development of nickel.

Weirton Installs Furnaces

Weirton Steel Co., Weirton, W. Va., is installing three new slab reheating furnaces. Each

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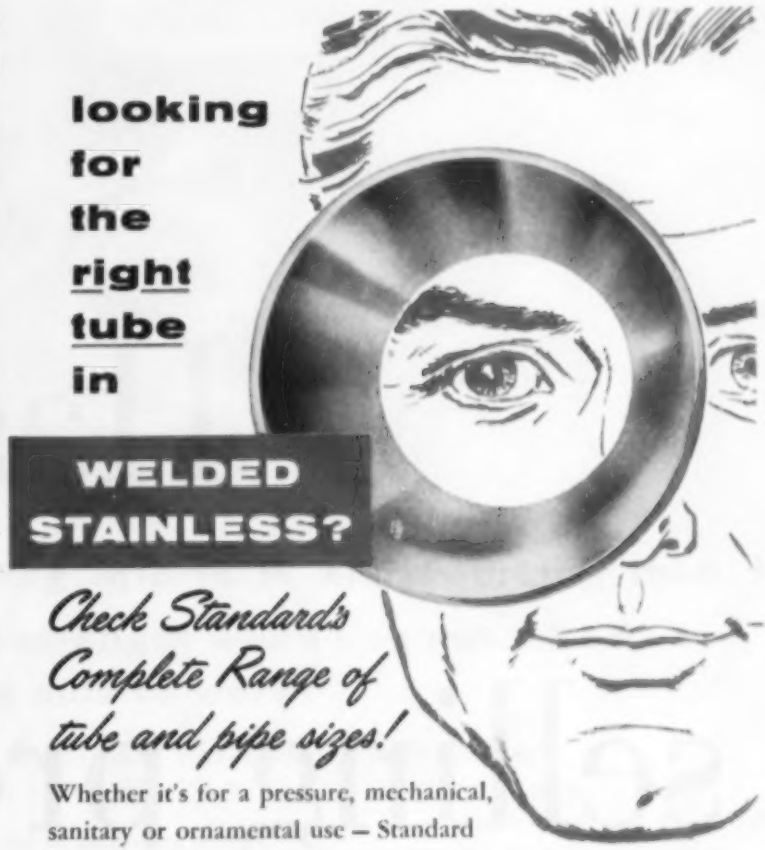

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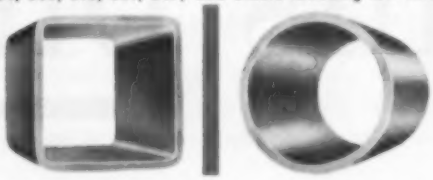

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will reheat 200 tons of steel slabs to rolling temperature per hour. The furnaces are about 118 ft long and wide enough to heat 26-ft-long slabs. Completion of the furnaces, part of an extensive modernization of the continuous strip mill at Weirton occurred in March.

Oxy-Catalyst Opens Branch

Oxy-Catalyst Inc., Wayne, Pa., opened an office at 6331 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles. The firm develops and manufactures catalytic devices for air pollution control and waste heat recovery. Alfred I. Bratton is manager of the office.

Armco Expands Plant

Armco Drainage & Metal Products Inc., a subsidiary of Armco Steel Corp., Middletown, O., is adding 44,000 sq ft of working space and new fabricating equipment to its plant at Washington Court House, O. This will be the fourth round of expansion since the plant was built in 1950. Continued rise in the sale of prefabricated steel buildings called for the $500,000 expansion.

H. P. Townsend Buys Firm

H. P. Townsend Mfg. Co., Hartford, Conn., bought the Cleveland Tapping Machine Co., Canton, O., from Automatic Steel Products Inc., also of Canton. No change in name or location is contemplated. The Cleveland Tapping Machine Co. will continue its line of standard and special lead screw tapping machines and will expand its development of special machinery.

Inland Builds in Loop

Inland Steel Co., Chicago, will start construction of an all stainless steel office building in Chicago's Loop this fall. The 19-story, $6-million structure will be completed by the fall of 1957.

Parker-Kalon Modernizes

Parker-Kalon Division, General American Transportation Corp., Chicago, will build a 250,000-sq-ft, single-story manufacturing plant

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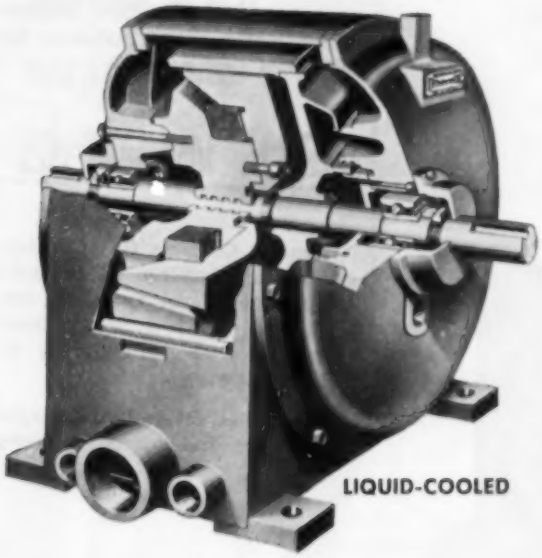

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in Clifton, N. J. The plant will house production facilities now in New York. Completion is scheduled for December, 1955. Parker-Kalon makes metal fasteners for industrial applications.

NEW ADDRESSES

General Controls Co., Glendale, Calif., manufacturer of pressure, temperature, level and flow controls moved into a new regional sales office at 1479 Spring St. N. W., Atlanta.

Strom Machinery Corp., rebuilders, leasers and sellers of heavy equipment, moved to 1818 Summer Blvd., Hammond, Ind.

REPRESENTATIVES

Amerigear-Zurn Inc., Erie, Pa., appointed Medor Inc., St. Louis, sales representative for flexible couplings and allied power transmission products made by American Flexible Coupling. Medor's territory includes southern Illinois, eastern Missouri and the southwestern tip of Kentucky.

Equipment Engineering Co., Minneapolis, appointed Thomas Hood, of Hood Engineering Sales Co., San Francisco, and Walter S. Eschbach, of Sierra Industries Inc., Los Angeles, representatives for variable speed mechanisms.

Hyster Co., Portland, Oreg., appointed Miller Equipment Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., dealer for western Michigan. Miller will handle a complete line of lift, straddle and platform trucks, plus mobile cranes.

Gas Machinery Co., Industrial Furnace Division, Cleveland, appointed Heat & Control Inc., San Francisco, its western representative. It will cover California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, Nevada and Idaho.

Reynolds Metals Co., Louisville, appointed Perry Kilsby Inc., Los Angeles, distributor of aluminum pipe and tubing.

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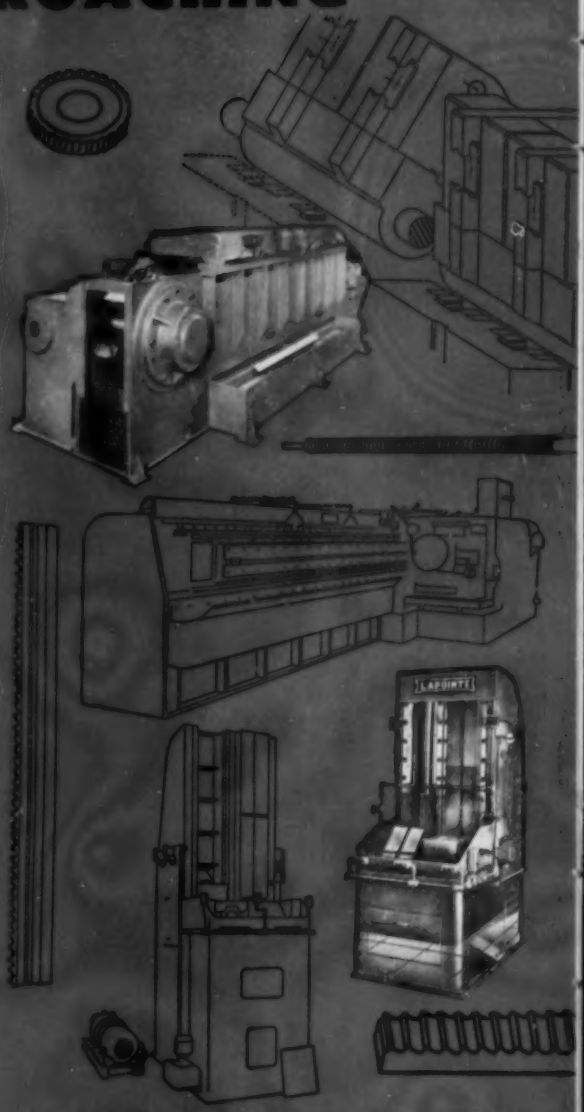

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Technical Outlook

DELAYED FAILURE— An amount of hydrogen too small to affect reduction of area or notch strength may cause delayed failure in such parts as steel bolts and studs. That's what James W. Huffman, North American Aviation research engineer, reported to an ASM session at the Ninth Western Metal Congress in Los Angeles last week. Preventive measures recommended: Prohibition of pickling and cathodic cleaning, stress relief following grinding, use of fluoborate cadmium plating bath and prolonged baking.

SWIFT SWITCH—Contacts at a rate of 10,000 a second are possible with a drum-type switch. A whirling jet of mercury inside the drum causes a traveling deformation of the circumference, so that it makes fleeting contact with switch elements arranged around the outside. Noise level is low.

INSIDE THE GRAIN— A lot of work has been done on the effect of grain size on the physical properties of metals, but what about the structures within the grain? Dr. Raymond Smith of the Franklin Institute points out that at low temperatures internal grain structure has a significant effect on stress-yield strength.

RINGS THAT BREATHE—Hollow metallic O-rings with breather holes drilled through the inside diameter won't collapse because of internal-external pressure differences. United Aircraft Products Inc. says this feature keeps them leakproof at elevated pressures.

ELECTRIC FURNACE RECORD—Production figures representing good electric furnace practice aren't often available, but Atlantic Steel Co., Atlanta, supplies the following: Average heat size in 1954 was 76.4 tons; 135,151 ingot tons were produced in 8135 operating hours out of an available total of 8760. Average: 16.6 net tons per hour. Electrical consumption averaged 500.3 kwh per net ton; electrode consumption was 9½-lb per ton of ingots. Yield was 91.4 per cent.

METALLIZING MERRY-GO-ROUND— Twenty-two, self-contained, vacuum-metallizing units moving around an oval course have soothed a production headache at RCA's Marion, Ind., plant. One man loads and unloads TV picture tubes that get their insides coated with 0.5 microns of aluminum at the rate of 120 an hour.

STURDIER DIAMONDS— A new method of diamond mounting can add up to 9 times more life to diamond tools. The diamond is brazed to the tool under vacuum, argon or hydrogen atmosphere, using a silver-copper solder and titanium hydride as a wetting agent.

ALUMINUM NAMEPLATES—Several of the large aircraft manufacturers have gone to porcelainized aluminum nameplates for use on aircraft engines. Comparable in cost to painted plates, they are completely resistant to heat and corrosion which deteriorated tags previously used.

HIGH-SPEED DIP—United Chromium, Inc., says it has a new plastisol coating that can be applied at more than double the rate of previous materials—dipping speed is 17 to 18 in. per minute with automatic equipment. Pearless Wire Goods, Lafayette, Ind., is using the coating on freezer baskets and shelves (in pastel shades of coral and light green) to protect against abrasion and corrosion caused by humidity, moisture and foodstuffs.

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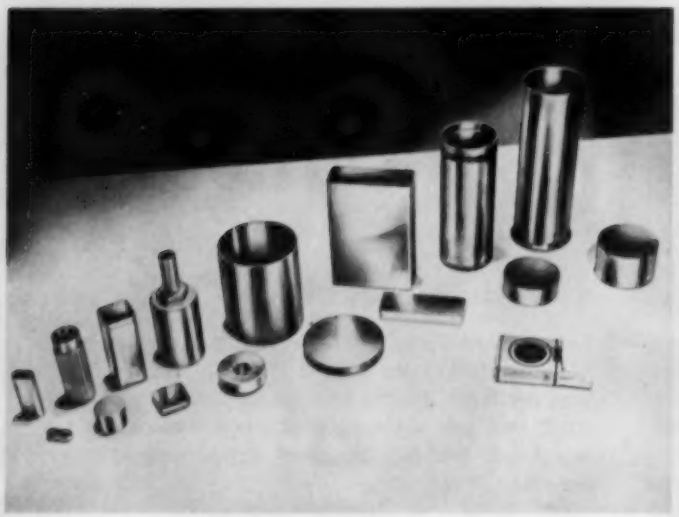
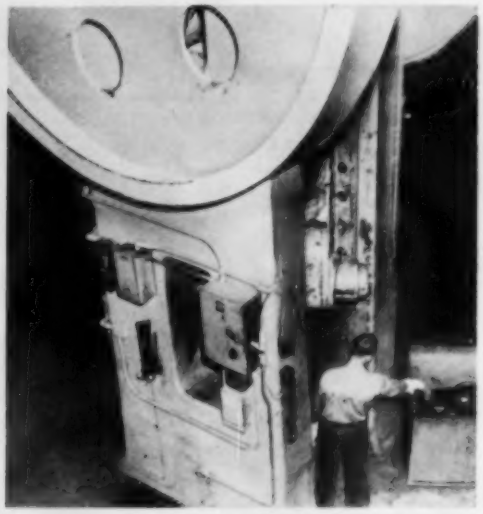


Parts illustrate complex shapes, beaded and fluted sides, bosses, recesses, projections and variations of bottom and side wall thickness



Magcoa recently installed this additional 750-ton press as part of its impact extrusion facilities

Impact Extrusion—

Put the Squeeze on Parts Costs

From its early days of punching out toothpaste tubes, the forming process has taken on a broader dimension. Complex magnesium parts are one-shot items

By WM. F. DEAN
Associate Editor, Chicago

AS IN GRAPEFRUIT eating, the controlled "squirt" is the key to successful impact extrusion.

Basically, impact extrusion is the combination of cold or hot forging and conventional extrusion of extrudable nonferrous metals. The "squirt" in this case is the flow of metal created when a punch rams down onto a blank placed in a shallow die and the metal is forced up and around the punch.

Increasing efficiencies in impact extrusion techniques are creating interest among manufacturers requiring complex round, square, rectangular, cup or shell-shaped parts or simple parts having a length - diameter ratio exceeding 2:1.

Three Types—Generally speaking, there are three types of impact extrusions, says Nolan E. McDonald, manager of the impact extrusion department, Magnesium Co. of America, E. Chicago, Ind. They are classified as to direction of metal flow:

1. Conventional or reverse extrusion in which the metal flows upward around the punch and opposite to the punch's direction of travel.

2. Forward or Hooker extrusion in which metal flows ahead and in the same direction of the punch travel.

3. Lateral extrusion in which the metal flows sidewise or at 90 degrees to punch travel.

Each of the above three types can be used individually or in combinations, depending upon the job to be done.

Dense, Nonporous—Impact extrusions with their forged bases and extruded side walls have desirable wrought metal characteristics. They are dense and nonporous, and better than average physical properties are generally attained. The smooth surface of the impact extrusion can be dipped, polished, satin finished, enameled, lithographed or lacquered. Aluminum pieces can be anodized to provide a harder oxide protective surface.

With the exception of collapsible tube production, impact extrusions have had their greatest development in the postwar years—improvement in tool steels has played an important part. Proponents are predicting a steady increase in the use of impact extrusions in the electronic, aircraft, automotive and appliance industries.

The Reason—Where impact extrusions are applicable, substantial savings are possible over conventional methods of part production.

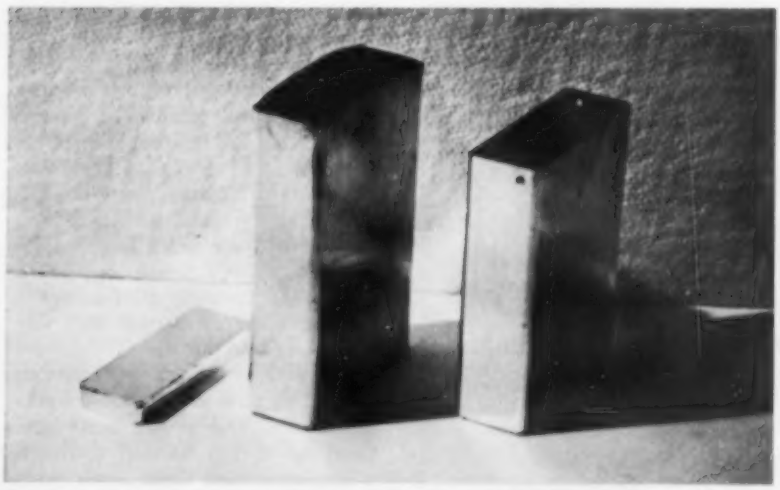
Magcoa officials, who are expanding their facilities to produce impact extrusions in magnesium,

Here's What Impact Extrusion Did on One Job

The initial blank is a trimmed-to-length section of conventional extruded tubing. The finished part is 11.375 in. long (trimmed) and has an OD of 6.5 in. Note the section view (right) has six different wall thicknesses. From top to bottom: 0.062 in., 0.240 in., 0.800 in., 0.710 in., 0.150 in. and 0.080 in.

Tolerances: ± 0.002 in. across the diameters
0.010 in. in length of steps
0.004 in. (total indicator reading) concentricity
0.010 in. maximum fillet and radius permitted on external steps

Cost Savings: Previous unit cost (machining part from extruded tubular stock) $163.00
Present unit cost (impact extrusion, no machining required) $19.25



A single stroke of the press produced this 1⅜ x 4 x 6½-in. can with sidewall thickness of 0.020 in. and bottom thickness of 0.032 in. Only secondary operations were trimming to 5⅛ in. length and hole punching

aluminum, lead, zinc, tin, copper and the alpha brasses, cite some examples.

An aluminum or magnesium can 3 in. in diameter, 24 in. long can be produced in a single press stroke by impact extrusion in six seconds. Tooling for the job would run approximately $750. By deep drawing, the same can—if it could be produced at all—would require tooling worth about $4000 and take at least four minutes to produce, officials estimate.

Good Tool Life—In high production runs, impact extruding also compares favorably with other processes. Tool life, according to officials, is roughly 500,000 units and then only die maintenance is needed—tools can be made up of replaceable inserts for economy. In very high quantity requirements, carbide dies would permit runs up to 5 million units.

On production runs of applicable products, the advantages of impact extruding over machining operations are striking: It's faster and results in greater metal yield.

Impact extruding can provide savings over processes which require welding on the part produced. Because beaded or fluted side walls, bosses, recesses and projections are possible in the one-stroke impact extrusion process, no welding is necessary.

Process Limitations—Impact extrusions aren't the answer to all fabricating jobs, though they are applicable in many cases. There are, however, circumstances where impact extrusions are imperative because production would not be mechanically or economically feasible by other processes:

1. When the design includes a bottom thickness considerably thicker than the side walls.
2. When the bottom must include bosses, projections or recesses.
3. When a bottom extending into a flange is required.
4. When side walls must have internal or external longitudinal ribs or flutes.
5. When short, open-end tubes are required which are not producible by direct extrusion or drawing.
6. Generally, when the length-diameter ratio exceeds 2:1.

Dream Come True

A HUNDRED years ago Henry Bessemer had a dream, but he had to settle for the next best thing. If he had been able to get high-purity oxygen in tonnage volume, it's a safe bet that the open-hearth furnace would not be the backbone of steelmaking.

What about open-hearth practice. Has it reached its peak? Talk to the people who are running the oxygen operations at Dominion Foundries & Steel in Canada and at McLouth Steel in Detroit. Pose the question to the many steelmakers who traveled to Austria for their first look at the process. The answer is an emphatic yes.

***The Plus Side*—At no time in steelmaking history has there been a process that is so right for the present and future economic climate. The key considerations: Low capital investment, a tons-per-hour rate nearly three times the open-hearth record and an operational flexibility that would lend itself to a five-day work week.**

Look at the product. In some 20 minutes from the start of the blow, you're ready to tap 40 tons of steel that would test perhaps 0.0020 nitrogen, 0.013 phosphorus and 0.020 sulphur. Oxygen costs about 50 cents per ton of metal. Its consumption is only 5 per cent greater than the theoretical requirements for the reaction.

***The Future*—Don't look for an immediate rash of oxygen vessel shop construction. The industry has too much capital tied up in modern open hearths to even consider retiring them. Interest in oxygen steelmaking may be running high, but the approach will be slow and a bit subtle.**

It will probably start with numerous installations of tonnage oxygen generators. Even in present practice, oxygen can be a helpful tool, so the expenditures will pay off. Great Lakes Steel, for instance, is planning an oxygen generating plant bigger than the one at McLouth. Weirton Steel has had its plant in operation a couple of years.

As the time comes for retiring open-hearth furnaces, oxygen meltshops will probably replace them. Sound a little fantastic? The people at Dominion and McLouth don't think so. And they ought to know better than anybody else.

Oxygen

DETROIT—When you're getting 600,000 ingot tons of production from a capital investment of $7 million, it's a pretty good deal. When you find that your ingot costs are down $3 a ton to boot, there's cause for celebration.

But McLouth Steel Corp., Detroit, is too busy making the first oxygen-converter steel in this country to be celebrating. Besides, its management knew pretty well what to expect two years ago when it decided to integrate the Austrian process into its steelmaking operations.

Similar Circumstances—The decisions of both Dominion Foundries and McLouth, the two oxygen-converter steel pioneers on this side of the Atlantic, stem from similar circumstances. Each acquired a blast furnace for hot-metal steelmaking. Each hoped to up the ingot output of existing equipment.

Where Dominion was charging hot metal into its open hearths, McLouth planned to blow the metal partially in bessemers, then finish the heats in its two, 200-ton

HAMILTON, ONT. — Anybody clinging to the notion that oxygen steelmaking hasn't arrived commercially can check with the people at Dominion Foundries & Steel Ltd., Hamilton, Ont. They're completely sold on the transplanted Austrian process.

You would be, too, if you were averaging about 1000 tons per day on a capital investment of $6 million. Even rosier, that output is better quality steel than Dominion produced in its open hearths. Ductility and drawability are better; there are fewer tears and less residuals. "We've never seen such good deep drawing steel as we're getting now," was the way one operating man put it.

Right from the Start—Dominion poured its first oxygen-steel ingots last Oct. 12. Subsequent heats have been rolled into tin mill products, plate, sheet and strip. Even when the company was operating a small pilot vessel, properties of the steel were so good that it became pre-

electric furnaces. Fortunately for McLouth, its interest was turned to the oxygen practice in Austria before it ordered its bessemer shop. The rest of the story takes place on the banks of the Detroit river just outside Trenton, Mich.

How's It Working? — The cat-that-ate-the-canary look on the faces of McLouth operating people is enough to answer that question. "Considering that most of our people had never even heard of this process, we've developed a lot of production know-how in a couple of months," commented Ivor Bryn, McLouth's vice president-operations.

In appearance, this shop is quite a bit different from the one at Dominion. For one thing, there are three, 40-ton vessels. Each is trunnioned at ground level, with the bulk of the vessel in the pit. This floor-level feature eliminates a lot of hot metal lifting and pouring by cranes.

The Cycle—Hot metal from McLouth's 1350-ton blast furnace rolls into one end of the melt shop in a bottle car and is positioned

McLouth charges hot metal from a ladle car, since vessels are mounted in pits. Hood and flux chute are to the right and above the tilted vessel

Steelmaking Arrives

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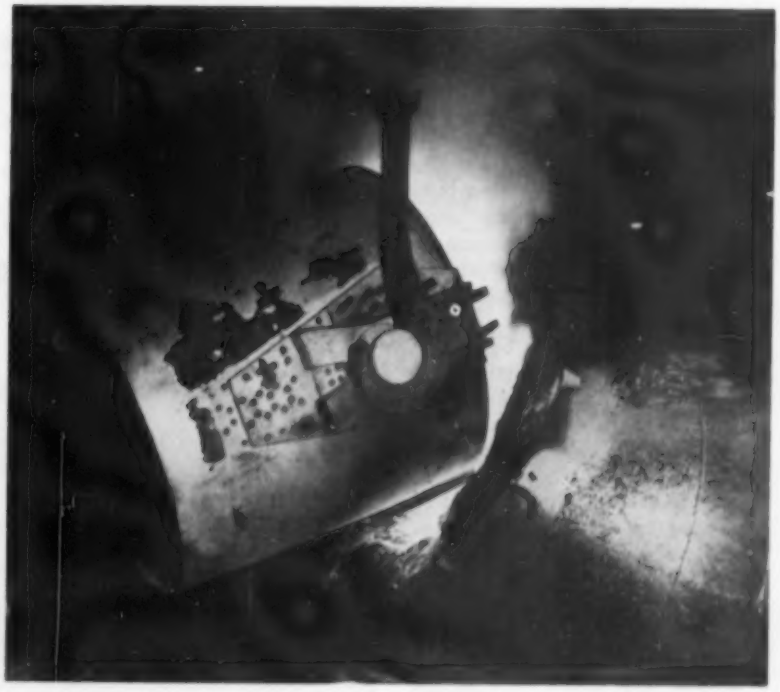
To date, Dominion's single 40-ton vessel has concentrated on production of 100-per-cent-rimmed, mild steel, with carbon content under 0.10 per cent. Pilot plant operations, however, proved the process feasible for silicon steel (up to 3 per cent), killed steel with up to 0.25 per cent carbon and fully aluminum-killed steels.

What It Takes—Dominion's oxygen melt shop is on its harbor property, immediately adjacent to the source of hot metal, a 900-ton blast furnace built in 1951. Though the shop was designed to ultimately house two operating blowing vessels, additional blast furnace capacity would be required. A single vessel can consume more hot metal than is available. While the company won't talk about it, its next move will likely involve a new blast furnace.

Charging of the vessel is similar to standard converter practice. About 25 per cent of the metallic



Vessel at Dominion is trunnioned on a platform above the meltshop floor, so hot metal must be crane-poured during the charging

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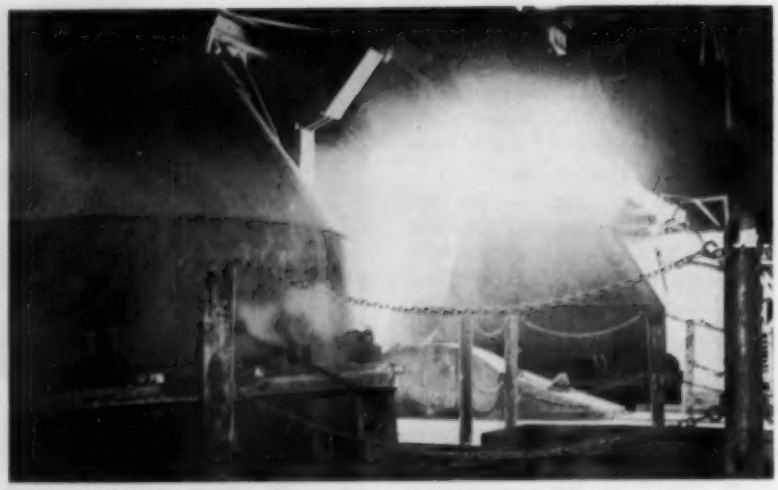
on a weighing track. The exact amount of iron required for a heat is poured into the charging ladle in the pit beside the track. The ladle then is lifted into its pouring car which transports it along another track to the vessel.

Scrap has been added to the ladle by this time—the amount varies with the silicon content of the iron but averages close to 10 tons—and the ladle car tips its charge of hot metal directly into the tilted vessel. The ladle car moves back, and a flux car moves into position for charging the major portion of the stone.

No Dust—Each of the three vessels has its own exhaust hood which can be moved out of the way for maintenance on the vessel or the hood itself. Normally, the hood is positioned about 24 in. away from the vessel mouth, but this distance can be closed down to as little as 6 in., if necessary, for sufficient draft.

The first stage in the gas cleaner is a two-pass spark box. Its water vapor cools the gases down to 500° F. Next comes a tower-type washer in which the vapor is condensed on individual dust particles, followed by a 600-hp, Tyson disintegrator which does the rest. Gas enters the atmosphere as a billowy cloud of steam which quickly disappears.



While middle vessel is blowing, one at right is being relined. Vessel in the left foreground was due to start its campaign the next day, after a 24-hour heatup

Oxygen Plant — Believed to be one of the largest plants built for a user of oxygen, the Linde-Fraenkl system has a daily capacity of 165 tons. McLouth at first considered buying its supply of 99.5-per-cent pure oxygen, but the higher cost argued against it. With this plant, not counting amortization charges, the cost is under $6 a ton.

When the vessels are blowing, the drain on the oxygen plant is quite severe. An 8-hour supply in storage serves as a surge tank and provides emergency tonnage should the generator be stopped. It takes roughly 2000 cu ft of oxygen to refine a ton of metal, which

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charge is scrap; the rest is hot metal. When the vessel is tipped back into its vertical blowing position, depth of the bath is about 36 in. in the 25-ft-high vessel. The copper, water-cooled oxygen lance is then lowered to within about 40 in. of the bath surface and the oxygen turned on. Twenty-two minutes later, they've got about 40 tons of low nitrogen steel of open hearth quality or better.

Bit of History — Dominion got into oxygen steelmaking through a logical chain of circumstances. It started with the addition of the blast furnace in 1951, a move designed to ease the 100 per cent dependence on scrap for steelmaking. With plenty of hot metal and not enough ingot production, Dominion considered the addition of a Thomas converter and subsequent duplexing of steel.

About then came word of successful oxygen operations in two Austrian plants, one at Linz and the other at Donawitz. After quite a bit of pilot model experience, Dominion became convinced that this was the answer. It is even more convinced now.

Geographic Problem — The new steelmaking facilities have helped Dominion solve another problem. Started in 1912 as a small steel foundry, its growth resulted in some geographically nonintegrated operations. When the blast furnace was blown in at the harbor property, hot metal cars had to be hauled more than a mile (across city streets, too).

Once the converter is charged, it swings back under its fume hood, the oxygen lance is lowered and the 20 minute blow commences

Melters slag off from behind this shield. Then steel is poured into the teeming ladle. Bottoms of the pits are below river level, but water seepage is nil

means that oxygen charges are little more than 50 cents per ton of tapped steel.

"There's one thing about this system that you'll find nowhere else in the steel industry," points out Paul Lindberg, melt shop superintendent, "and that's the complete predictability of the process." Once the oxygen requirement is calculated, there aren't any variables (air temperature, moisture content or checker efficiencies).

Refractory Life—Biggest refractory wear occurs at about the bath surface line. McLouth engineers are studying the relationship between oxygen nozzle size and brick wear. Originally, they were using a 1¾-in. opening, but since shifting to a 1⅝-in. tip, side-wall erosion has been reduced. Apparently, the biggest tip causes a more violent boil, thus a more critical refractory attack.

But changing linings isn't much of a chore. Vessels come in three sections, a top, side wall and bottom; by keeping a couple of spare tops and bottoms with tank linings already in place, McLouth can completely reline a vessel in 38 hours. First, the top is removed and replaced; the vessel is rotated 180 degrees and the bottom is replaced; then bricklayers move in to build the new magnesite lining over the tank lining.

Versatility — When the whole plant was designed, there was some uncertainty as to how much ingot tonnage could be made directly in the oxygen converters. So McLouth designers planned their shop for prerefining in the vessels and finishing in their 200-ton electrics in the next bay. Hot metal transfer lines were installed to each of the furnaces, the tracks extending right into the oxygen melt shop.

The first several weeks of operation last December proved to McLouth that this system would work. By charging blown metal into the electrics, they were able to finish the steel at only 350 kw per ton. This feature will give McLouth an advantage if scrap prices ever skyrocket.

Now with the oxygen converter near the blast furnace and with the four open hearths in temporary retirement, that hot-metal haul is eliminated. Dominion bottom-pours all its ingots. When these 4-ton beauties are stripped out of the molds, they are just over a mile away from the soaking pits. Special trailer trucks are refractory-lined to save as much ingot heat as possible. Each carries 20 tons of ingots. Soaking pit fuel consumption is considerably reduced.

Other Facilities—Of the 500,000-ton ingot and casting capacity, the biggest weight goes into cold-reduced products. Dominion, by the way, was the first completely integrated tin plate producer in Canada when it started cold rolling in 1935. Other products include plate, hot-rolled sheets, cold-rolled products, galvanized sheets, enameling iron, steel castings and pig iron.

Dominion bottom pours all its ingots on these special cars, and then moves them into the stripping area

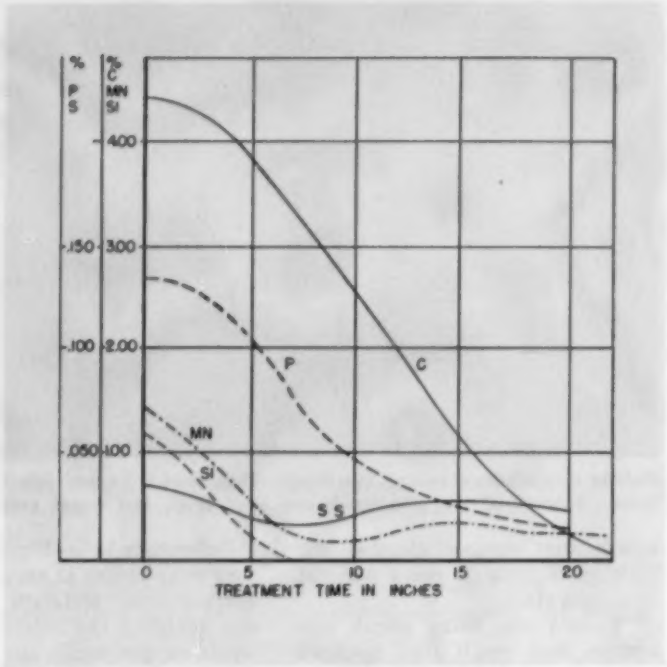
Mill facilities are built around the 84-in. universal plate mill (it doubles as a slabber for the strip mill) and a new 4-high, 60-in., reversing hot strip mill. They feed the 34, 36 and 42-in. reversing cold mills. Five tinning pots, an electrolytic tinning line and a hot-dip galvanizing line finish most of the cold mill tonnage.

Before the year is out, Dominion will complete its $50-million expansion program.

To bring steel finishing facilities into better balance with ingot tonnage, a 56-in., cold reversing mill and a new Armzen electrolytic galvanizing line are to be added.

What Happens in the Oxygen Vessel

Temperature beneath the oxygen jet approaches 6000°F and the violent bath agitation is much like the carbon boil in the open hearth. Here's Dominion's practice



Curves show what happens to various elements during blowing

THE 99.5 per cent pure oxygen at 150 psi produces iron oxide in the area of contact with the bath. All the lime charge is added before the blowing cycle reaches the one-third point. The iron oxide immediately fluxes the lime, and it is this early formation of the slag which accomplishes most of the sulphur and phosphorus removal.

In the reaction of the iron oxide with the rest of the bath, carbon monoxide is formed, probably in this manner:

$$Fe_2 + FeO = 4Fe + CO$$

The CO, unable to escape in the area of the oxygen-bath contact, apparently is forced to the bath circumference. This would explain the violent stirring action which brings a continuous change of metal in the reaction center until the end of the carbon removal. High-speed photographs taken during a blow reveal that there is also considerable splashing of metal above the slag, which makes for good intermixing throughout the cycle.

20 Minutes Later—The end point of the treatment is clearly defined by the flame drop at the vessel mouth. At this point, the lance is withdrawn. The vessel is tilted to the horizontal position, so that the fluid slag can be raked off. Enough limestone or crushed slag is then shoveled into the fore part of the bath to chill the slag.

The vessel is tilted, and while the chilled slag is held back, steel is cleanly tapped into the ladle. Any ladle additions are made at this time in the usual manner.

Little Manganese Addition—In rimming steels, about two-thirds the amount of ladle deoxidizer is required for oxygen steel, compared with open hearth or electric steel. Since the residual manganese is much higher than that obtained in open hearth practice, the manganese ladle addition is much less, which is a cost saver.

In fact, with the low and easily held residual sulphur analyses (average 0.020 per cent), it is not improbable that the manganese could be cut to the point where little or no addition would have to be made. Some testwork along those lines has shown considerable promise. Dominion engineers believe that, if it were desirable, a lower manganese residual could be achieved with a two-slag practice.

Sulphur Easy—In no other steelmaking process is control of sulphur as easy as in the oxygen process. Using a hot metal containing 0.040 per cent sulphur, no difficulty is experienced in maintaining a maximum residual of 0.025 per cent. Increasing the lime charge by 2 or 3 per cent can insure sulphur as low as 0.015.

Tramp element residuals have proved appreciably lower, too. In the making of high-quality, deep-drawing grades of steel where low residual alloy contents are specified, the oxygen process has a distinct advantage. By using iron oxide as the cooling medium in place of scrap, residual alloys can be virtually eliminated.

Lining Life—Consumption of refractory material in the vessels is averaging around 20 lb per ton of steel produced. While this is higher than in the Thomas process, it still falls far short of the open hearth requirements. Linings have been averaging about 250 heats before replacement. Most of the wear occurs just above the slag-metal line, and little on the bottom.

Lining materials and methods are much the same as those used in the Thomas converter. Dominion is using a burned dolomite bonded with tar. The keystone-shaped bricks are 16 in. long and are pressed in a machine in a corner of the meltshop. While one vessel is operating, the other is relined.

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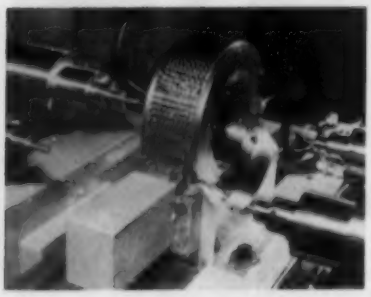
Over-all view of tape-controlled boring machine. Electronic control circuits, tape reader and manual controls are housed in cabinet at left. In foreground, an operator punches hole co-ordinates and feed instructions on the tape with a perforating machine

Punched Tape Directs Precision Boring



Rotary holding fixture mounted on cross slide of boring machine

PUNCHED TAPE systems for operating machine tools continue to find new uses. Tape has been applied successfully to a precision boring machine for production of instrument gear trains.

This application, developed by Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., employs a standard, four-spindle, Excello precision boring machine. It is modified with built-in electronic controls and circuits and a tape reader which is housed in a control cabinet.

Operation — Hole co-ordinates and feed instructions are punched on plastic tape by a perforating machine similar to a typewriter. Electronic signals from the tape regulate the linear travel of the boring machine's hydraulic cross slide and the rotary motion of a holding fixture mounted on the cross slide.

Tape-controlled boring is suited for medium-sized production lots. Tooling and setup costs are substantially lower than those for punch press piercing dies or drill ream jigs, and operating costs are less than those for jig borers, say Minneapolis-Honeywell officials.

Tape preparation requires about 5 minutes per hole. Complete changeover from one part to another can be done in 30 minutes.

Setup—To start a job, the operator attaches an adapter ring to the rotary fixture, mounts cutting tools in the four spindles and places the punched tape in the reader of the control circuit. After inserting a blank piece in the fixture, he presses a button to initiate the automatic cycle. After the machine has read the complete strip of tape, it automatically stops to permit removal of the finished part.

Although designed for boring shaft holes in gear plates in which center-to-center hole tolerances must be tight to prevent binding or backlash, the machine is also adaptable to a variety of hole patterns and sizes.

Versatile—Different parts can be handled by changing the adapter ring and inserting the appropriate tape. Where a small number of special plates are needed, the machine can be manually operated by adjusting ten knobs to control the linear travel of the cross slide and the rotary motion of the holding fixture. Manual control knobs are in the control cabinet.

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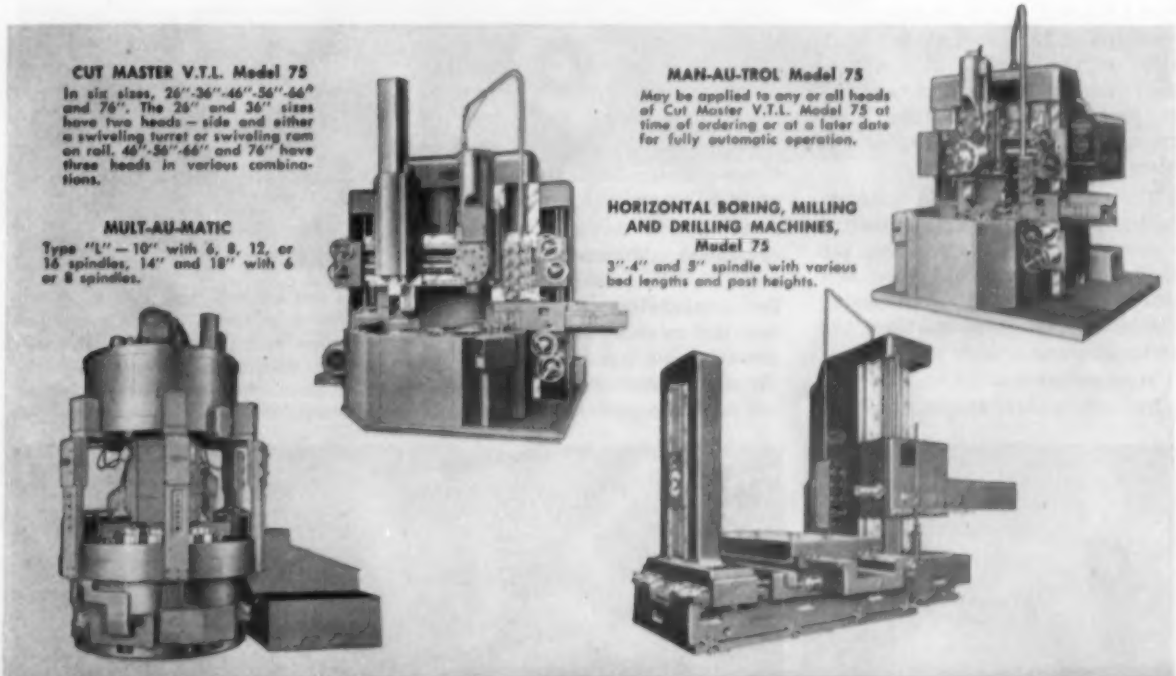
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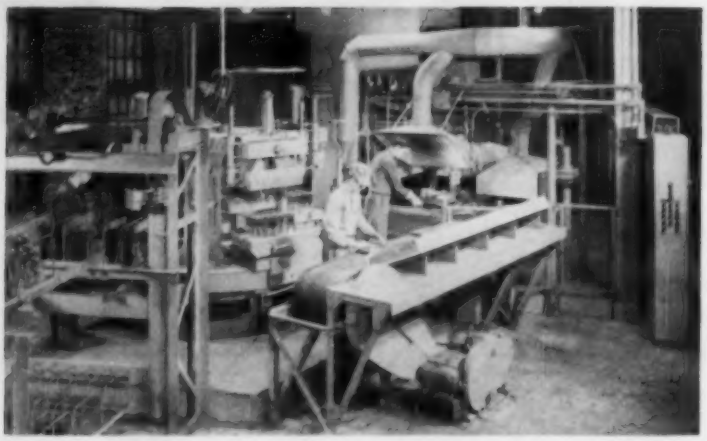
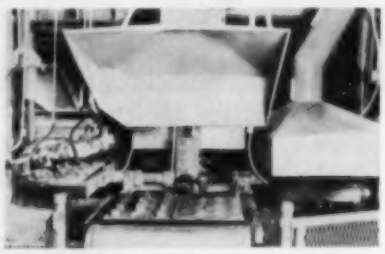


Heart of the shell molding system. Four-station molding machine and pushbutton control station are at right. Core setting conveyor and closing machine are at center. Mechanized shell storage conveyor is at left

Investment station of molding machine. Water-jacketed flask above pattern confines sand and resin. Rollover motion of flask removes excess mix

Flask is withdrawn, and pattern with its soft plastic shell moves to two successive curing stations. Infrared heaters give the desired hardness



At the ejector station, operator removes thin shell. The shell shown here consists of a cope half and a drag half easily parted

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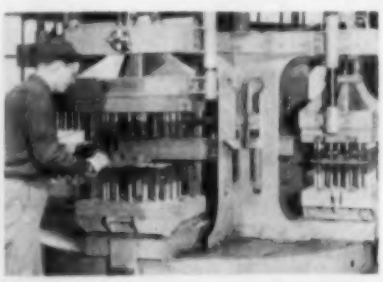
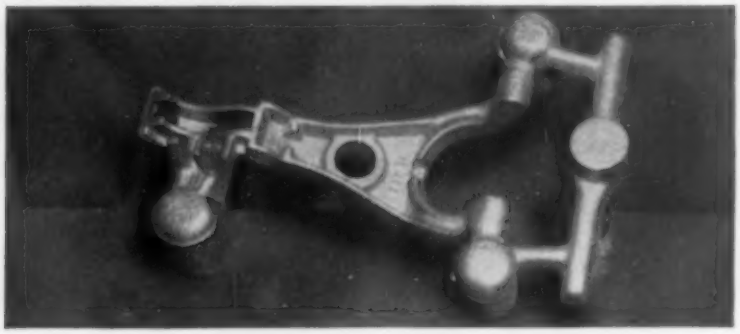


Cores are set and drag half is placed on closing machine. Resin is applied and cope half put in place. The air-operated mechanism of the closing machine holds the two halves together while resin sets

Finished casting with mold

Shells are loaded on conveyor which takes them to pouring area

Shrink steals strength — and profits



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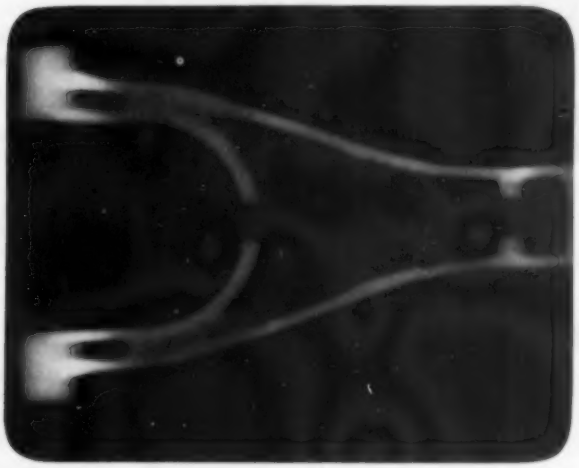

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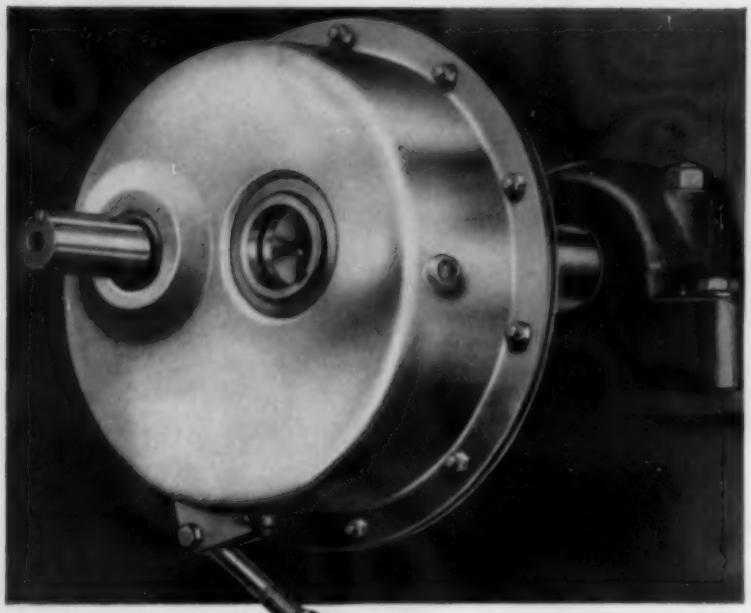

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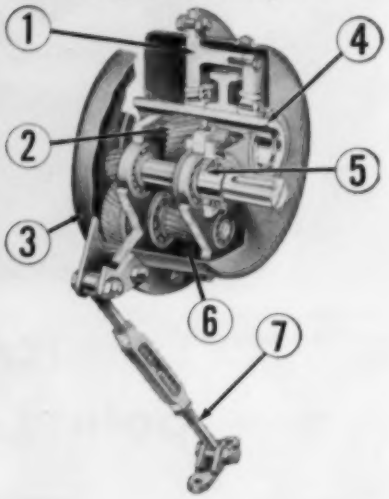

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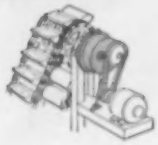

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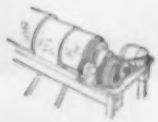

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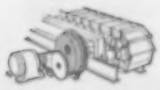

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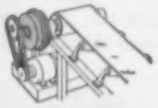

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Cavitron showing transducer with bit mounted on tool holder Metal hose—left carries slurry

The two work chucks, with roughing jig on left and finishing jig on right. The plunjet locater is in place in the left chuck

Sound Digs Holes

The tiny bit of an ultrasonic machine cuts a hole through a steel sleeve for the control system of jet aircraft by bombarding it with boron carbide grit and air bubbles

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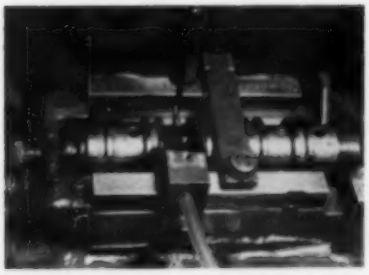

Close-up of sleeve being cut by ultrasonic energy. The lateral plunjet lockup is mounted on center of jig

HIGH-SPEED jet aircraft are so responsive to controls that precise amounts of hydraulic fluid are required to move them. Rectangular holes in a sleeve feed the fluid into the control system at exact rates.

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How It's Done—Tool research engineers at Chance Vought Aircraft use ultrasonic machining to do this job. The ultrasonic machine, called a Cavitron, uses a high-frequency alternating electric current which causes a bit to oscillate 30,000 times a second. The bit is immersed in an abrasive slurry of boron carbide grit suspended in water. High-speed movements of the bit strike the grit and drive it against the surface of the sleeve, giving it acceleration as high as 150,000 times gravity.

The boron carbide bombards the surface, creating a series of cavities and high points. Ultrasonic waves created by the tool's tip travel through the water to produce compressions and vacuums, the latter forming small bubbles of vapor. This is called cavitation. When the bubbles collapse tremendous pressures are created which break off the high points of the metal.

Tooling — Because this action wears away the tool faster than the hole, a rough cut has to be made first. Then a new bit is brazed to the vibrator unit for the finishing operation. At no time dur-

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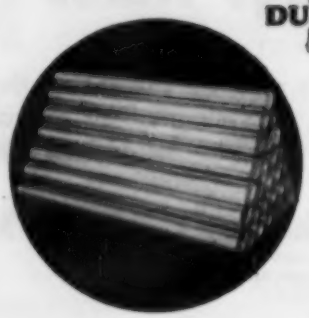

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ing the cutting process does the bit touch the metal sleeve; all work is done by the boron grit and air bubbles.

The machine has two work chucks and abrasive-coolant collectors. A heavy, 280-grit abrasive is used for the rough cut, 800 grit for the finished slot. The slurry mix (about 60 per cent grit, 40 per cent water) is re-used.

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Brass jigs, which resist the erosive action of the slurry, locate the sleeves axially, rotationally and symmetrically around the centerline. Clamps secure the sleeve in the jig.

Positioning — Sheffield plunjet air gages are used with a Sheffield column-type Precisionaire gage to locate the tool bit relative to the sleeve before machining. The plunjets are fitted into holders which are bolted to the end plate and the edge of the V-block in the jig to insure proper alignment.

The tool bit must be attached securely to the tool holder. This is done by brazing the bit to the holder in a jig. It is also essential that the axis of the bit be parallel with the ways of the vertical head. This is done by movement of the plunjet across the bit laterally and longitudinally. Any slight misalignment is corrected by a push with the finger or a slight tap with a hammer.

Inspection—With a 50-power microscope, inspectors check diameter of the sleeve by viewing through an orifice on one side of the sleeve to the inner edge of another which is diametrically opposite. All orifice qualities are held to well within tolerance.

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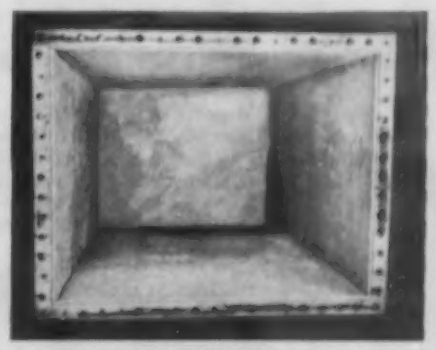

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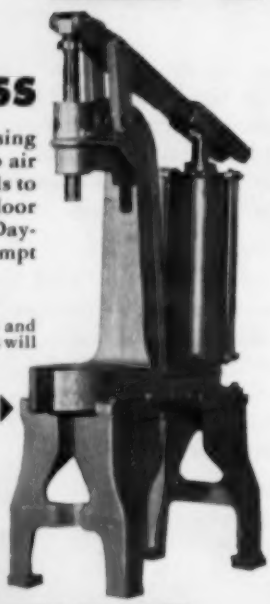

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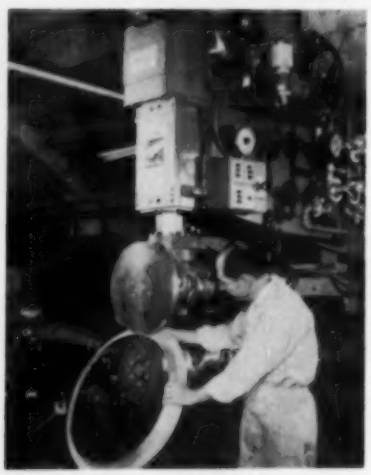

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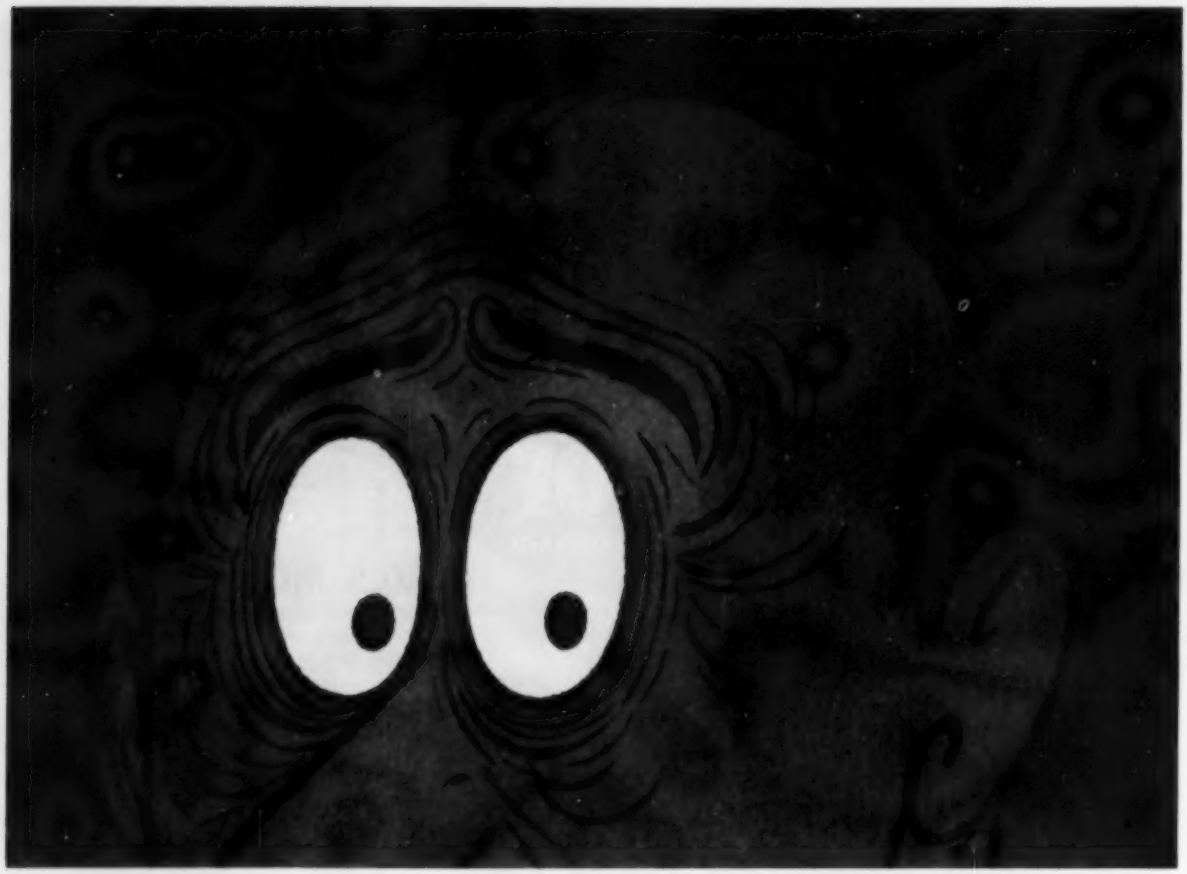

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MACHINE TOPICS

By R. F. HUBER, *Machine Tool Editor*

TO THE PERENNIAL, and probably eternal, question (will the special-purpose machine replace the standard?), D. E. Hawkinson, Greenlee Bros. & Co., Rockford, Ill., implied that the answer is "No" in his speech before the annual meeting of the American Society of Tool Engineers in Los Angeles.

When it comes to picking the machine for a job, Mr. Hawkinson pointed out: "Special vs. standard is the wrong approach . . . different types of machines are necessary and . . . on many production jobs, standard or combinations of standard machines are the most practical approach."

Not So Easy—Mr. Hawkinson, vice president of engineering and machine tool sales at Greenlee, told his audience that, in fact, machine tools don't break down into two simple groups, explaining: ". . . there are actually four, not two, existing groups of machine tools, with the dividing lines between them almost impossible to locate or define sharply."

The four groups, as he sees them are: 1. Basic single-operation machines (engine lathes, drills, planers, milling machines, etc.). 2. Basic general-purpose machines (turret lathes, screw machines, high-speed broaches, etc.). Of this group, Mr. Hawkinson notes that almost invariably, as a machine becomes more productive, it becomes less flexible. 3. Machines of the first two groups, altered with special additions or tooling to adapt them to high production, difficult operations or a combination of operations. 4. Machines designed for a variety of operations on specific workpieces (transfer machines, indexing machines).

He calls the machines included in the third group "hybrids," adding: "Engineers take available standard machines, as a base and, with ingenious tooling, make them suitable for high production or difficult operations."

Choosing—Which machine or combination of machines to use will be dictated by the economics of available systems. Production requirements, length of the production run and the nature of the workpiece all will influence the decision. In addition, there's another, sometimes critical factor — the length of time available for machine procurement. Special machines inherently require a longer lead time.

Extra Special

To Mr. Hawkinson's third group might be added a subgroup: Basic machines designed from the floor up for automatic handling (or maybe this belongs in group four).

A lathe will soon appear with its working parts on top instead of front mounted to make it more adaptable to automated lines. It will incorporate built-in compensation for wear on the cutting tool, plus automatic gaging, inspection and rejection of out-of-specification work. First installations are likely to be in automobile plants and artillery shell lines.

Out-of-tolerance bearing races are straightened hydraulically, but when it comes to heat treating effects . . .

The Change Is Accounted For

Distortion and physical-size changes in heat treating can influence stock allowances for machining. Here's a system for letting experience dictate requirements

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YOU CAN minimize finishing costs on many heat treated parts if you can predict the stock allowance necessary to withstand distortion and physical size changes during heat treatment.

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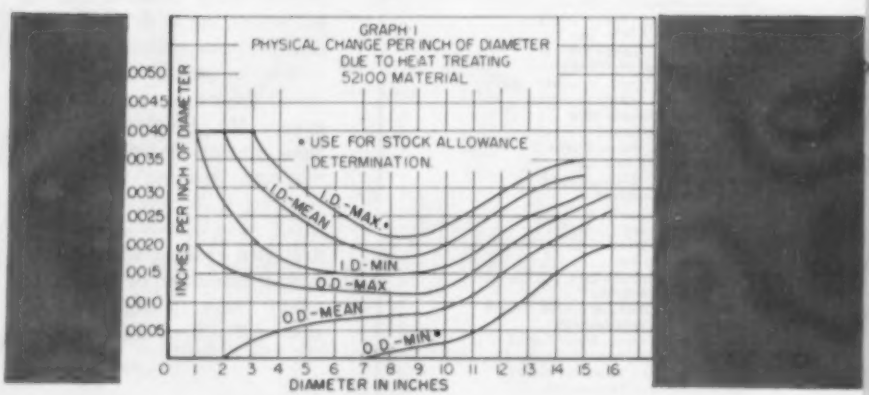

THREE allowances are made for each bearing part. The first one allows for surface coarseness resulting from preliminary rough machining. The second is to compensate for growth or physical size change. The last takes distortion effects into account.

The first allowance has become a rule of thumb. It's broken down into three classes, based on the part OD.

up to 4¾ in. OD	OD allowance	0.004-in.
	ID allowance	0.004-in.
from 4¾ to 16 in. OD	OD allowance	0.006-in.
	ID allowance	0.006-in.
from 16 to 30 in. OD	OD allowance	0.008-in.
	ID allowance	0.008-in.

Growth Change—The second allowance is determined by first designating three groups based on the steels used. They are: SAE 8620 for carburizing, SAE 52100 for through hardening and modified alloys for other parts to be through hardened.

Each of these groups is then divided according to the OD measurement of the race. Within groups, OD and ID allowances are formulated and charted as increments of OD size in one-inch progression. Using data from test runs, the growth factor is listed as averages of maximum, mean and minimum change for each type of steel in terms of size change per inch of race diameter (Graph 1).

Distortion allowances are calculated by measuring distortion effects on OD and ID, length and section (OD minus ID). These factors, gathered from test runs, are plotted on graphs (see sample Graph II). These curves are plotted to consider the actual relationship of bearing race diameters, length and section. They also are used to determine the degree of distortion acceptable without supplementary straightening as well as the amount of straightening required to pass intermediate inspections.

Combination—All three types of allowances are then combined and a total allowance figure is entered on a master allowance chart. From this chart, the stock allowance for any size bearing can be determined and specified at the beginning of the machining operations.

STOCK ALLOWANCE MASTER CHART - MATERIAL - SAE - 52100

MAX LENGTH	ONE INCH				ONE & 1/2"				TWO INCHES				TWO & 1/2"			
MAX SECTION	1/8	1/4	3/8	1/2	1/8	1/4	3/8	1/2	1/8	1/4	3/8	1/2	1/8	1/4	3/8	1/2
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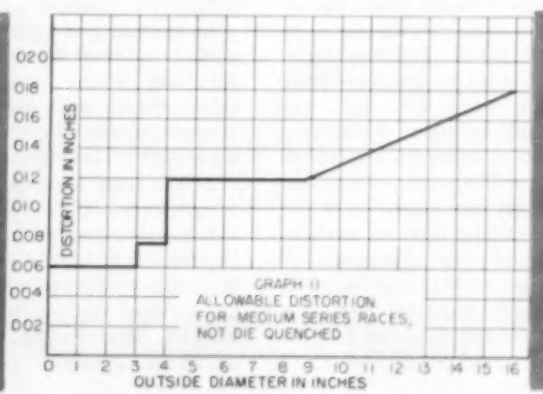

GRAPH II
ALLOWABLE DISTORTION FOR MEDIUM SERIES RACES, NOT DIE QUENCHED

Built for hundreds of applications, the bearings necessarily differ in size, weight and design. Rigid specifications must be met for each type. Some are case hardened while others are through hardened. Some heat treated sections require finish grinding, but other areas, which will not be finish ground, must conform to specified dimensional tolerances even after they have been heated and quenched.

History—Allowances are determined from a series of test runs. During each of the runs, we take and record measurements of all the bearing dimensions. As a result we are able to interpret heat treating effects in terms of bearing OD, length and section.

Averaged from hundreds of measurements, the allowances entered on the master charts are used to calculate exact machining, heat treat and grinding tolerances.

A typical test used about 50 bearing races which were numbered, measured and then heat treated. After quenching and tempering, the parts were again measured. These measurements indicated the maximum, mean and minimum size and distortion changes that could be expected on production runs.

More Control—To be positive the allowances work in production, we also must control the metallurgical structure, maintain a systematic furnace atmosphere and temperature, and provide specific quenching techniques.

Quench oil is maintained at between 125 and 130° F. Stored in a central tank, which feeds the rest of the quench tank system, this warm oil has less viscosity and better heat transfer properties. To augment processing controls, special handling precautions during quenching are necessary.

As a result of this system, our previous experience is available to us in terms of allowance figures on the master chart. Any bearing starting through the sequence of machining, heat treating, straightening, and other operations is assigned a stock allowance according to its size.

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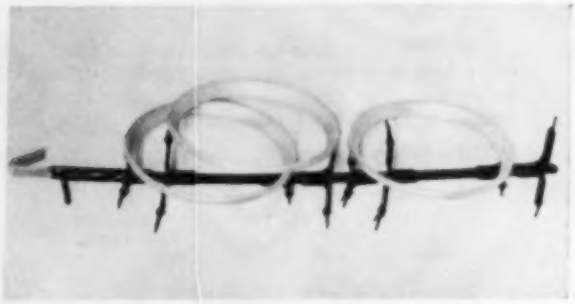

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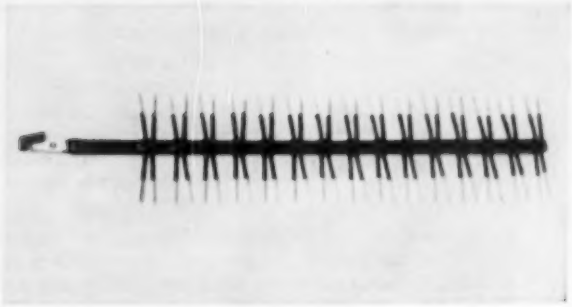

Titanium Tops in Anodizing Racks

AT $10 to $20 a pound, titanium is an economical material for contact tips on anodizing racks. Superior corrosion resistance is the reason.

That's the experience of Omega Inc., Litchfield, Conn. Its president, Joseph Reed Jr., has high praise for the metal's performance in aluminum anodizing solutions, stating:

Savings—"Titanium can contribute savings in two ways. A titanium-tipped rack may be used indefinitely if proper precautions are taken. Equally important, titanium clips are not affected by solutions used in anodizing, so no stripping of the rack is required between each cycle. This saves both time and labor costs.

"True, the titanium rack costs approximately three times as much as the conventional rack, but for any production run which will demand three or more sets of special-purpose aluminum racks, titanium is definitely the choice. After such runs, titanium racks are still in good condition. Since titanium wire is much stronger than aluminum, rack maintenance is reduced to a minimum."

No Change—Omega found no design changes necessary in the manufacture of racks. Forming techniques applicable to stainless steel spring wire, work well with annealed titanium wire. A coating of plastisol protects the spine of the rack and the points where the titanium clips are joined to it.

These anodizing fixtures are one indication that the movement of titanium into civilian use is picking up. Until recently, the only major nondefense use was for nacelles and firewalls in the DC-7 luxury airliners.

Where Else?—A wide variety of potential applications for titanium are based on the metal's excellent resistance to chloride ion attack. Titanium is completely resistant to pitting in sea water and marine atmospheres. In the future, the marine industry may be the major nondefense consumer.

At current price levels, more immediate interest is centered in applications where titanium shows excellent resistance and conventional metals are rapidly attacked. Such applications are:

1. Titanium screens, baffles and mixers for handling chlorine dioxide in the paper-pulp industry. 2. Equipment to handle products used in commercial bleach manufacture, i.e., sodium and calcium hypochlorite. 3. Evaporators for metallic chlorides, especially cupric and ferric chloride.

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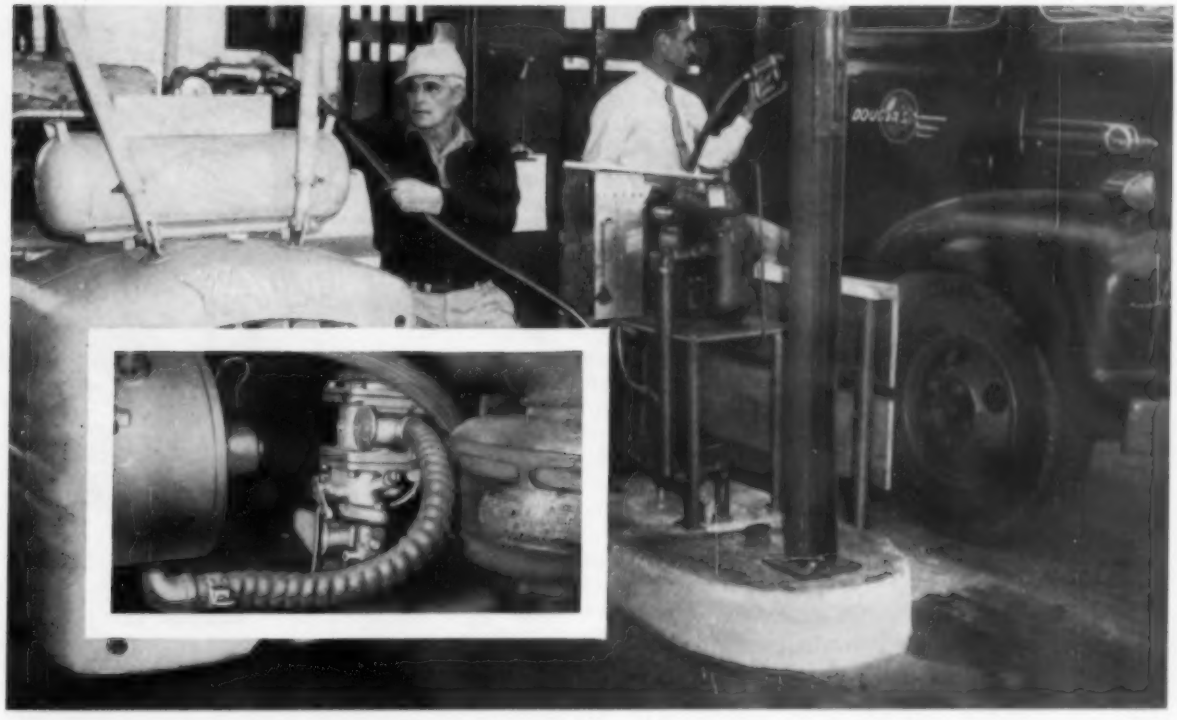

LP-gas and gasoline are dispensed from the same service station. Inset shows converter (left) installed close to the LP-gas carburetor on this fork-lift truck where engine room is at a premium

Fuel Switch Cuts Handling Costs

Conversion of 103 handling trucks to LP-gas will pay for itself in two years. From then on, it's gravy. That's what an aircraft builder discovered

A SAVINGS of $9560 a year. That's what officials at Douglas Aircraft Co., Santa Monica, Calif., figure they'll get by converting 103 gasoline-driven, internal-transportation units to propane (LP-gas).

This figure is projected from results of a test conducted by the company from Oct. 10, 1953, to Mar. 13, 1954. Used for the test were four Clark industrial tugs and two Yale fork-lift trucks. Half the units were converted and operated on propane, the remainder on gasoline.

Unit Savings — The company saved $0.061 on fuel and combustion-system maintenance costs per engine hour on the tugs, $0.085 per engine hour on the fork lifts. Additional savings came from longer engine life and less frequent overhauls.

Tests were conducted on units with recently overhauled engines or recently installed new engines. All units were supplied with new sets of spark plugs, fresh oil and new oil filters.

Test Methods—Engine hour meters provided an accurate basis for measuring the amount of engine operation, whether the unit was moving or not. Readings were taken daily.

Laboratory tests were conducted on specimens of crankcase oil for

	Industrial Tugs		Fork-Lift Trucks	
Per Engine Hour	Propane	Gasoline	Propane	Gasoline
Gallons of fuel	0.471	0.485	1.046	0.776
Fuel cost	$0.033	$0.086	$0.073	$0.138
Fuel and combustion system maintenance cost	$0.007	$0.015	$0.010	$0.030
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each unit. They were sent to the lab every 75 hours of engine operation. During the test period, only one of the three propane-operated units required an oil change because of a timing problem that fouled the engine. The test was continued to determine how long the original oil could be used in the other two units.

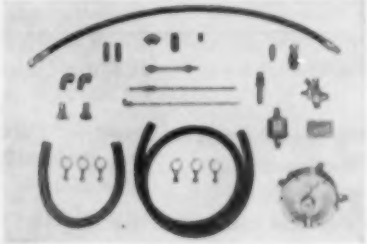
Oil Consumption—As of Jan. 13, 1955, one fork lift had operated 2693 engine hours without an oil change, and as of Jan. 27, 1955, one tug had operated 3031 engine hours without oil change.

A comparison of the amount of oil consumed and changed indicated that only 27 quarts were used in the propane units, compared with 103 quarts in the gasoline units.

Ignition System — During 1954, new points were installed only four times. No spark plugs were replaced. As of Jan. 1, 1955, one tug had operated 4300 engine hours on plugs installed at the beginning of the test. (It has been estimated that one engine hour of operation is equal to from 30 to 40 miles of road travel.)

Handling—To supply its fleet of tugs and trucks, Douglas Aircraft installed a 450-ft pipe line from the LP-gas storage tank to the garage service station so both gasoline and propane could be dispensed by one attendant. The company finds, under the proper conditions and with the correct equipment, that LP-gas is a safer fuel to handle than gasoline.

In making the conversion for Douglas, American Liquid Gas Corp., Los Angeles, used both the spud-in and LP-gas carburetor systems, depending on the equipment. With spud-in conversions, the existing gasoline carburetors are used.



Elements of an LP-gas conversion kit. Some are designed for use with an LP-gas carburetor and others use a spud-in block and the existing gasoline carburetor

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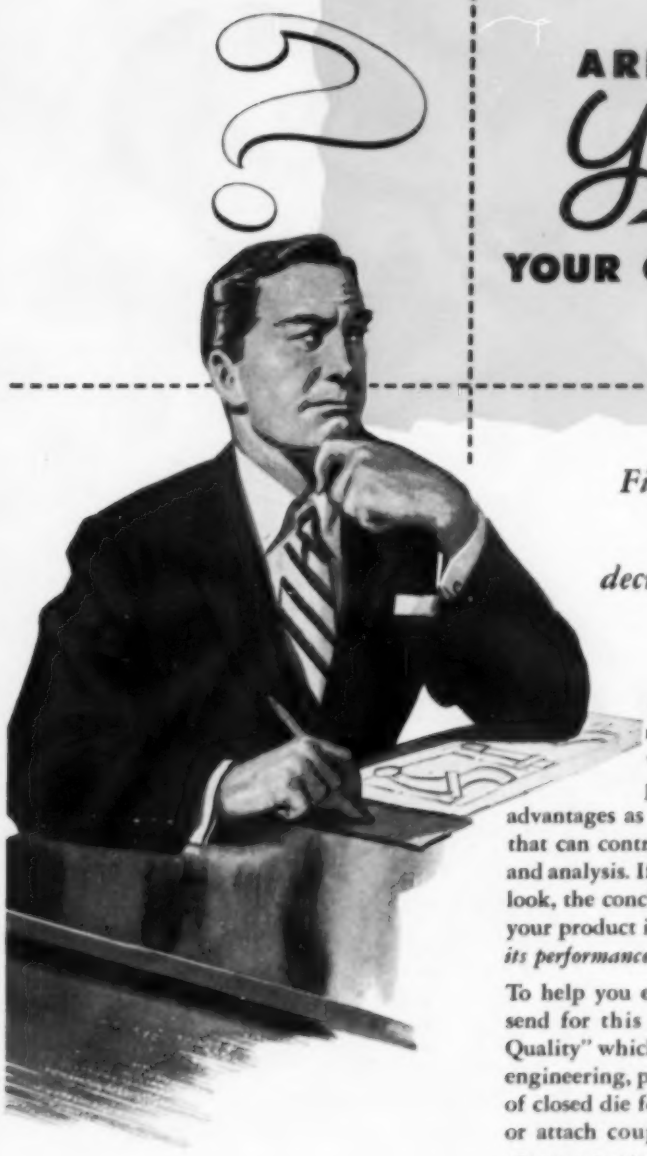

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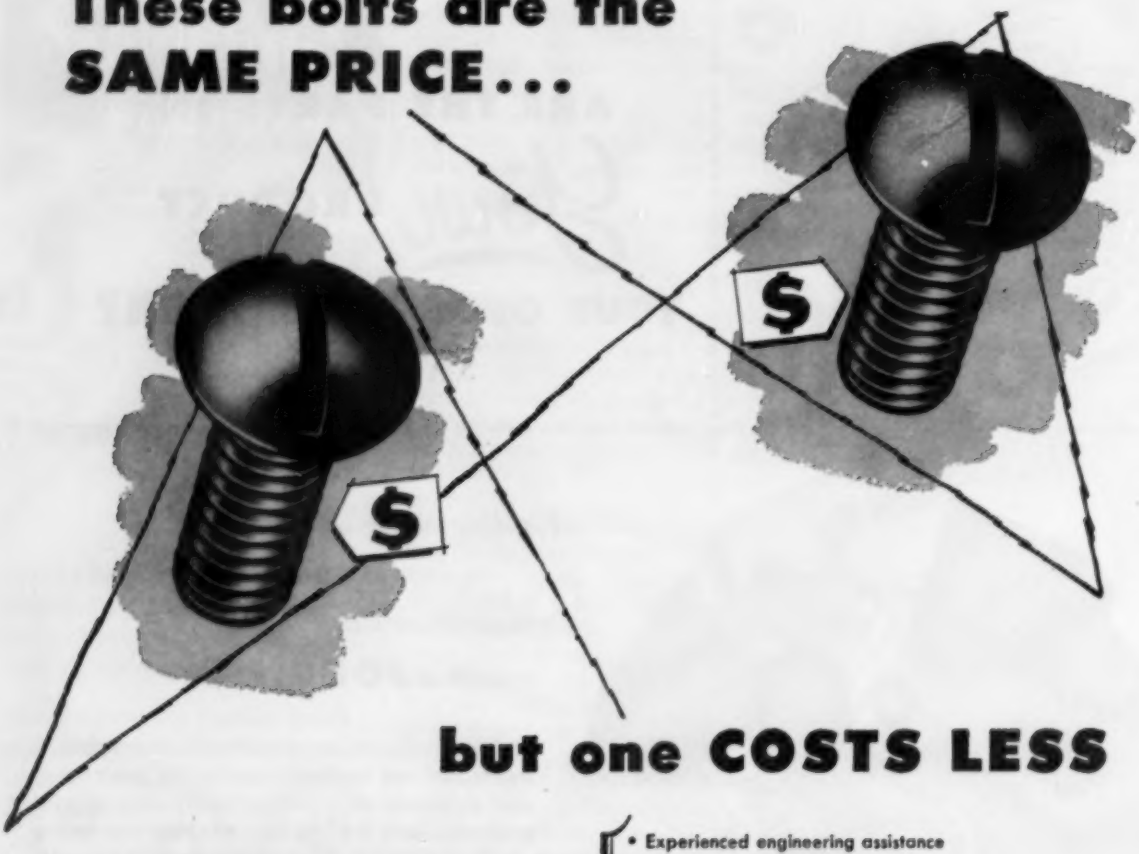

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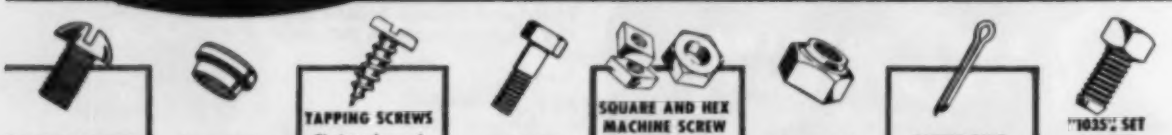

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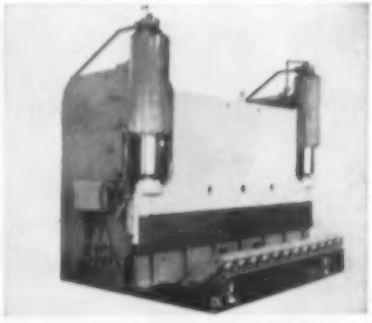
The model XLA is designed to meet the varied requirements of plant maintenance and high-speed, accurate production work. It can be used to thread bolts, pipe, studs, etc., and for hollow milling and pointing. Tooling for all standard thread forms is available in a range of sizes.

Single and double-spindle designs come in 1, 1½, 2 and 2½-in. capacities. A constant-speed motor, with a V-belt drive to the four-step sheave, offers ample spindle speed to thread all diameters within the machine's range. Acme Machinery Div., Hill Acme Co., 1209 W. 65th St., Cleveland 2, O. Olympic 1-2400

Hydraulic Stretch Press



Being used to form leading edges of wings for aircraft, the machine's over-all length is 16 ft. Its stretch jaws are 12 ft long.

Stretch-forming is used to make complex shapes by stretching material around a male die (plastic or kirksite). A pistol-grip control operates all press and stretch-forming equipment. It is a simple operation to convert the stretch press into a versatile press brake with a maximum tonnage of 500 tons, a stroke of 63 in. and an open height of 48 in. Pacific Industrial Mfg. Co., 848 49th Ave., Oakland 1, Calif. Andover 1-8303

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It comes in three, spindle-speed ranges: 40 to 1600, 50 to 2000 and 80 to 3200 rpm. Heat-treated, alloy-steel gears mounted on ground, integral, multiple-splined shafts permit 12 spindle speed changes. The machine is equipped with automatic spindle reverse. The spindle and spindle sleeve are counterbalanced by an adjustable spring mechanism. The spindle nose has a Morse taper hole fitted with a renewable, hardened tang slot.

The head is mounted on the arm on two, dove-tail slides. The weight of the head is carried on adjustable ball-bearing rollers which operate on a hardened and ground way. Safety features are included. The machine is built with 3 and 4-ft arms and a 9-in. column. Cincinnati Gilbert Machine Tool Co., Cincinnati 23, O. Kirby 4815

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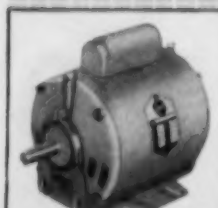

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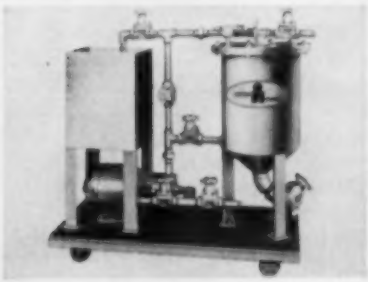

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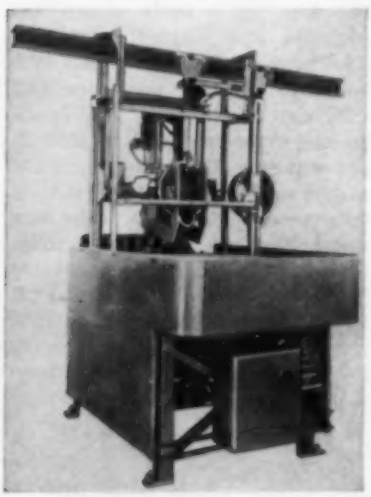

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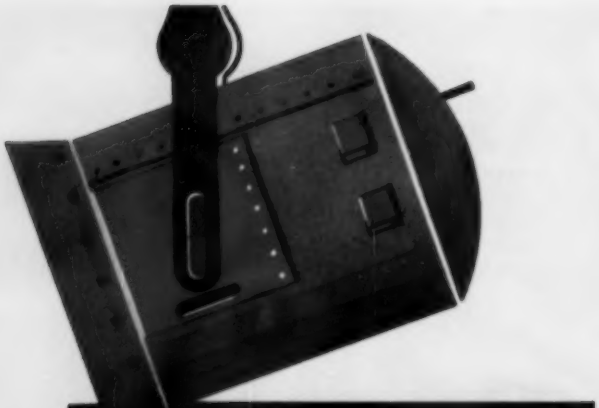

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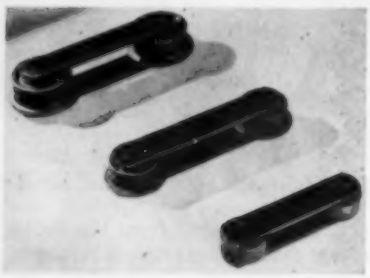

pitch and two 9-in. pitch roller blocks. This 6-in. unit has ¼ x 1¾-in. side bars and rollers 2½-in. in diameter which are made of alloy cast iron. With larger side bars, the chain features a work-load capacity of 4500 lb per strand. The 9-in. pitch units shown are equipped with single-flanged rollers. The center chain pitch has ¼ x 2-in.-high, carbon side bars and alloy cast iron rollers 3 in. in diameter. Working load is 4500 lb per strand. The heaviest chain, shown at top, has a 9-in. pitch. It incorporates ⅜ x 2-in. side bars and chilled rim rollers and roller bearings 4 in. in diameter. Working load is 6750 lb per strand. It is used on installations up to 1500 ft long. May-Fran Engineering Inc., 1725 Clarkstone Rd., Cleveland 12, O. Kenmore 1-2304

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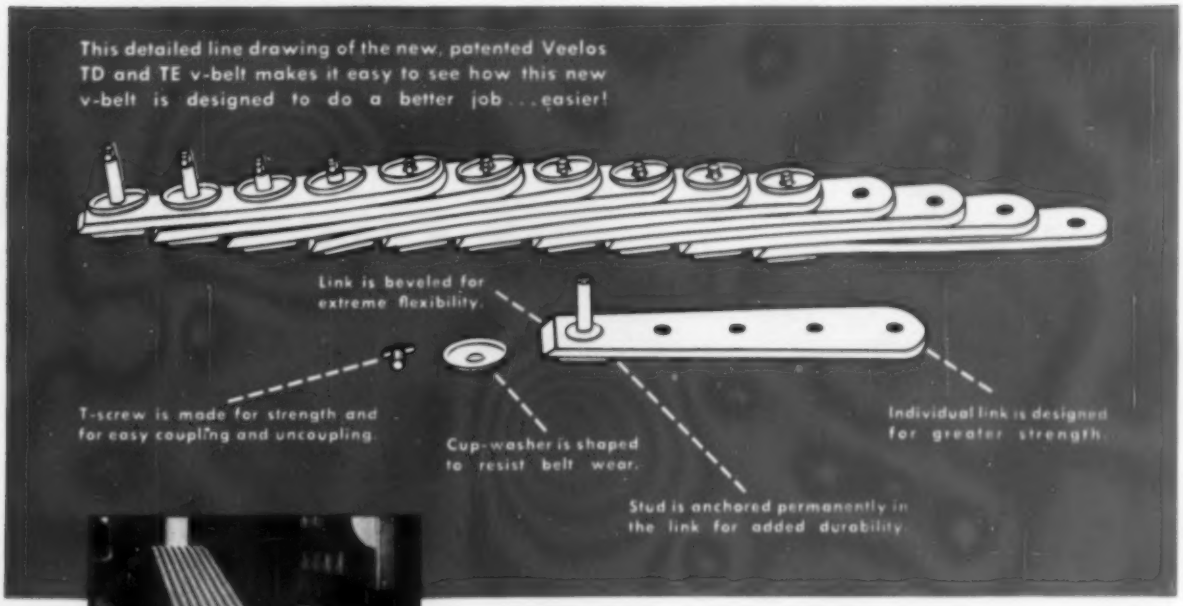
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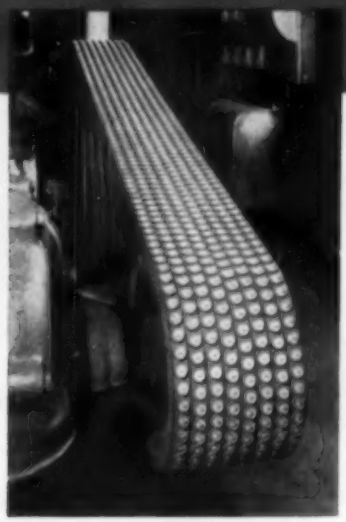

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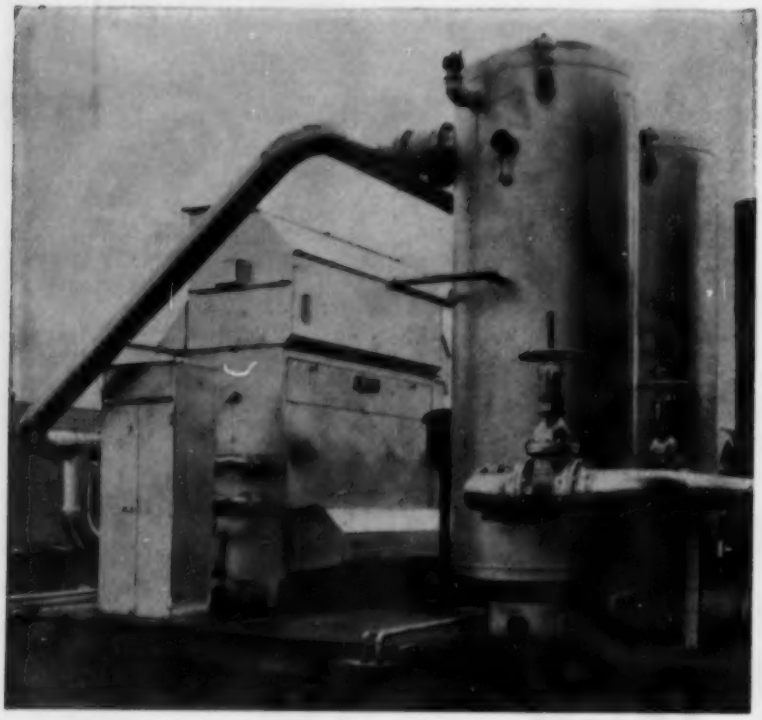

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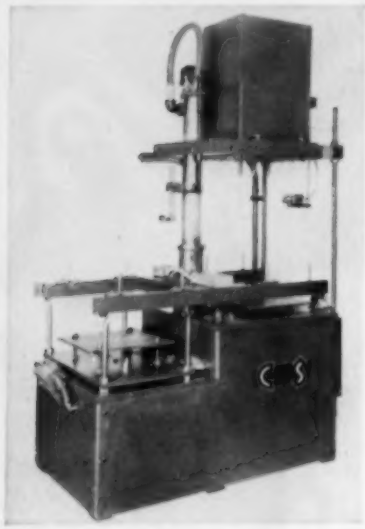

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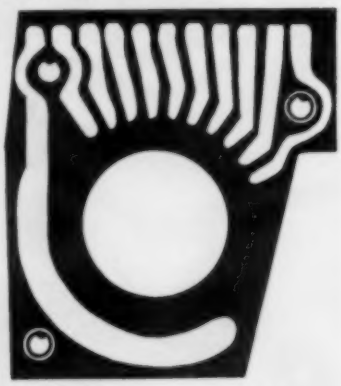

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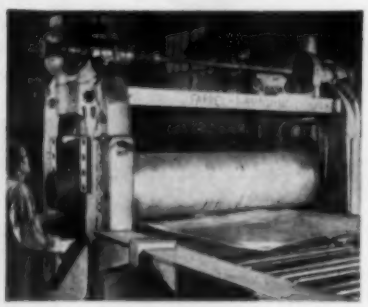

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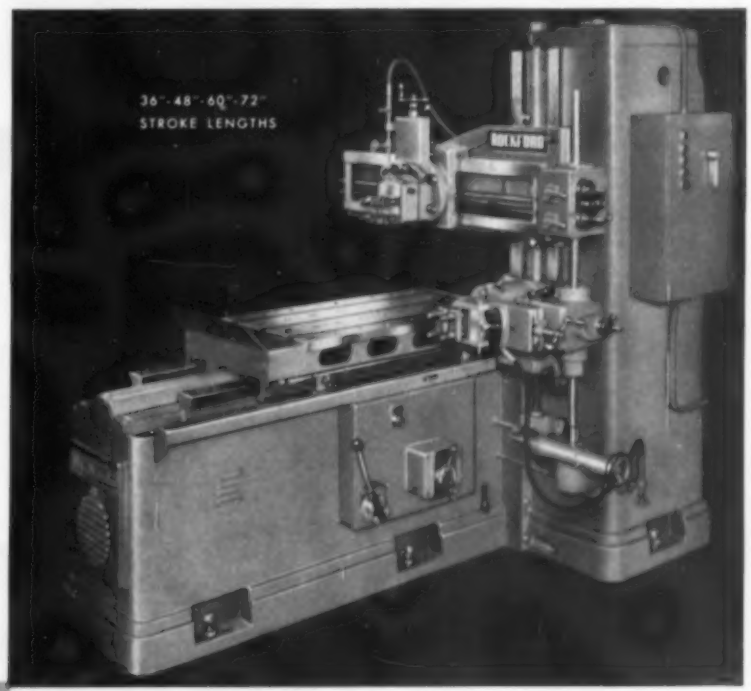

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Tool Catalog

This catalog on precision tools, dial indicators, saws and ground, flat stock includes illustrations which show the tools in detail. It is indexed and crossreferenced—No. 27, 464 pages. L. S. Starrett Co., Athol, Mass.

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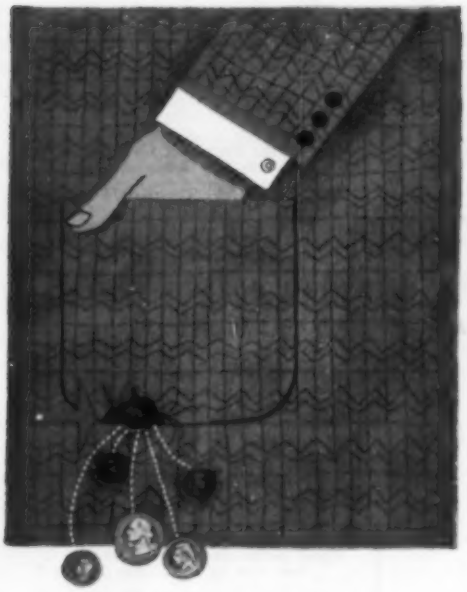

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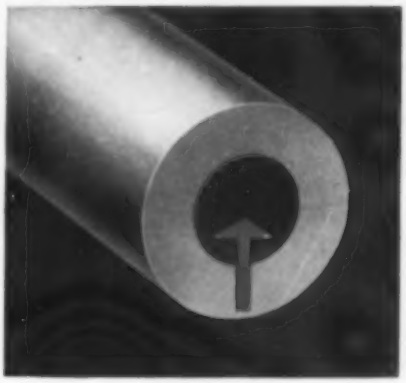

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All the features, specifications and dimensions of the Warehouser electric truck with Extend-A-Forks are outlined—catalog 1505, 4 pages. Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., Yale Materials Handling Div., 11000 Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia 15, Pa.

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Basic, up-to-date information on instrument transformers is offered in this Buyer's Guide—GEC-1028, 100 pages. General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y.

Brazing

This manual is concerned with the application of major brazing methods, using silver alloys, filler metals, fluxes and gas atmospheres—catalog 925, 24 pages. Air Reduction Sales Co., division, Air Reduction Co. Inc., 60 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y.

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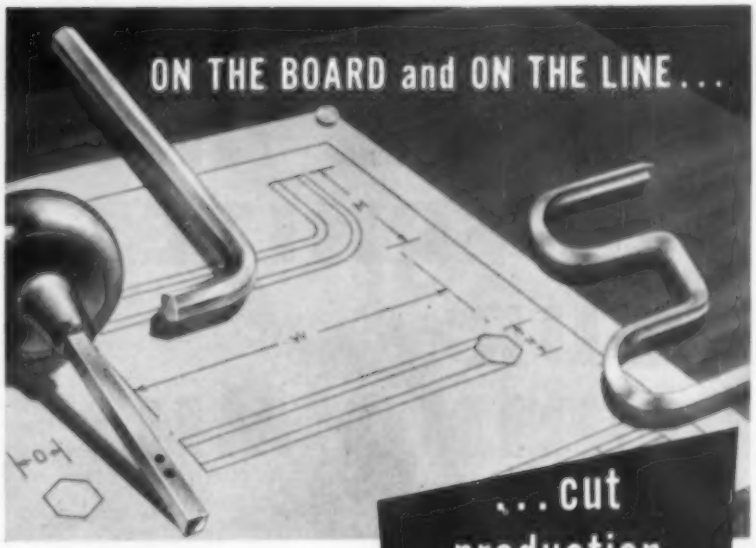

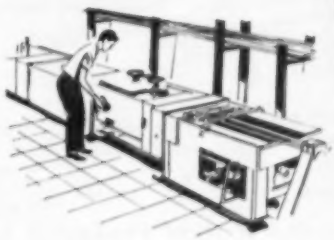

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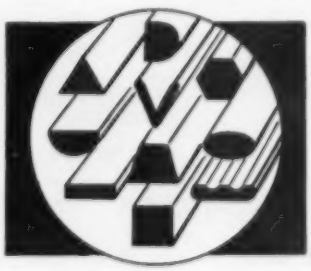

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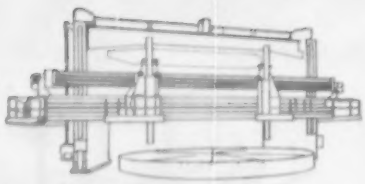

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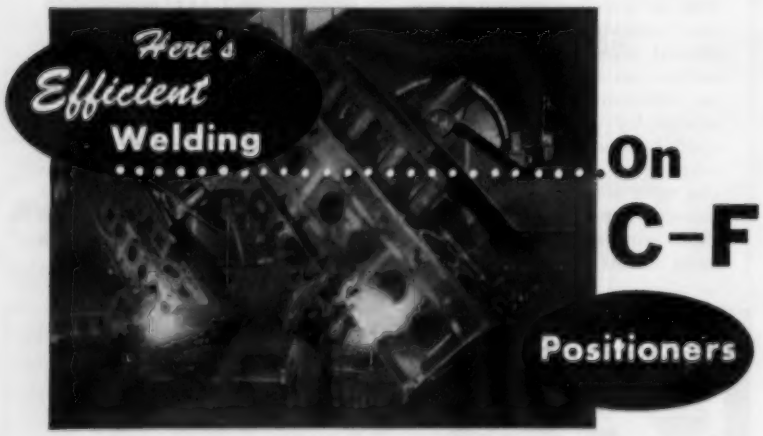

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(ASTM A-214) has been broken down to show how Electrunite tubing is processed to meet requirements. Photographs show production operations—brochure HEC-1, 10 pages. Republic Steel Corp., Steel and Tubes Div., 224 E. 131st St., Cleveland 8, O.

Planned Weldment

Acme explains planned weldment fabrication. Advantages of this method are listed—6 pages. Acme Welding Div., United Tool & Die Co., New Britain Ave., West Hartford 10, Conn.

Titanium and Its Alloys

Reports cover a number of subjects, including life of high-speed steel tools in turning and shaping operations, drilling, tapping, surface finishing, band sawing, brazing and soldering—42 reports, $40 a package. U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Technical Services, Washington 25, D. C.

Broaches

This catalog describes the types of broaches which are available. Applicable internal and surface broaching operations are described—Catalog 450, 32 pages. American Broach & Machine Co., division, Sundstrand Machine Tool Co., Ann Arbor, Mich.

Blast Cleaning

The air-operated Vacu-Blaster is used in deep-groove, multipass welding, as well as cleaning before and after welding. Operating advantages are covered—4 pages. Vacu-Blast Co. Inc., Box 885, Belmont, Calif.

Bucket Elevators

A complete line of bucket elevators and accessories is described in detail. Specifications are included. Photographs supplement text—catalog BE-55, 80 pages. Webster Mfg. Inc., Tiffin, O.

Brushing Lathe

The brushing lathe (for deburring, finishing, polishing and buffing) and universal workpiece holder are described. Possible setups are illustrated—6 pages. Fuller Brush Co., Hartford 15, Conn.

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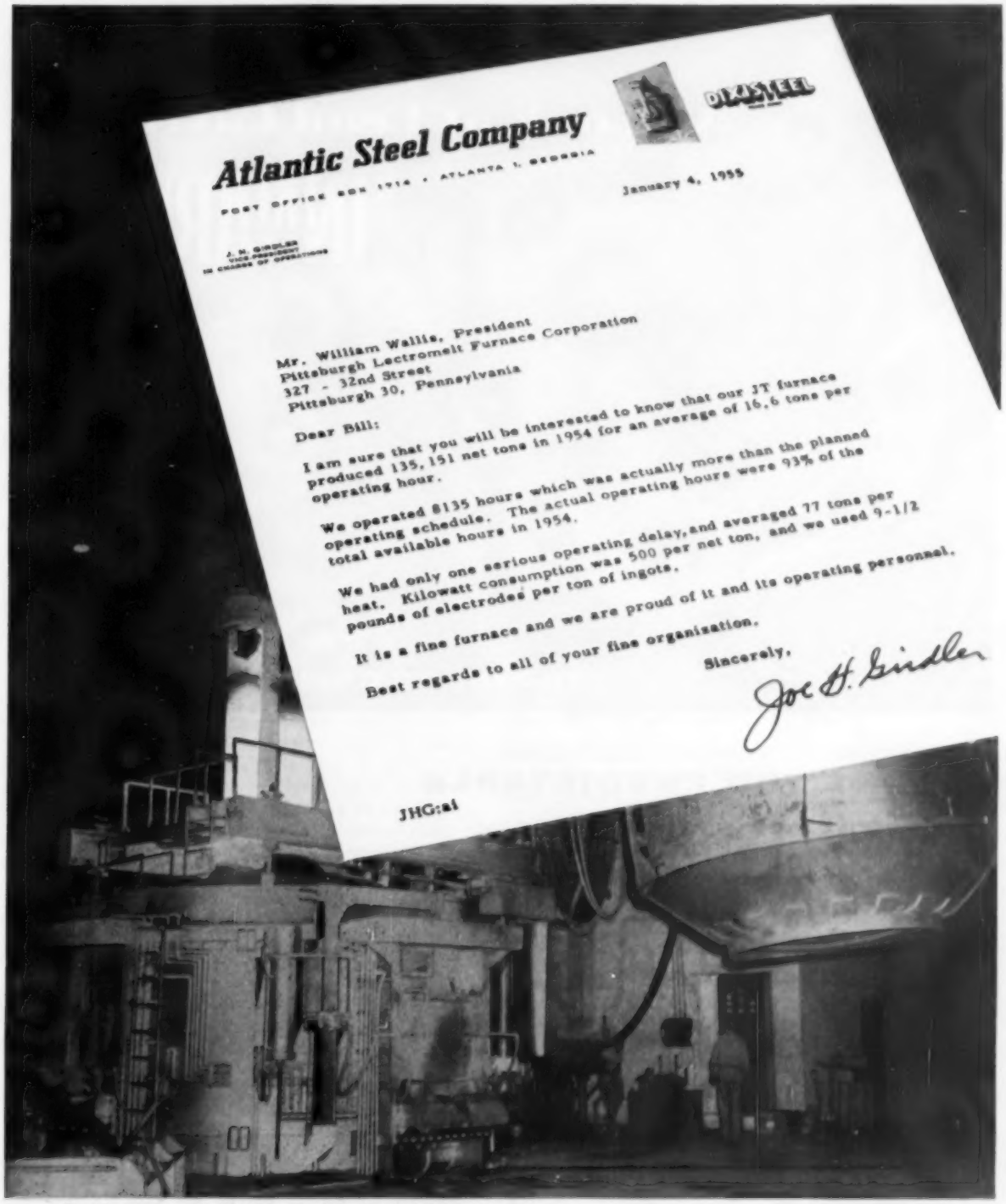
"How To Apply Iron Phosphate Coatings to Steel in Preparation for Painting" discusses advantages of Oakite CrysCoat, how it works and the recommended procedure for using it—12 pages. Oakite Products Inc., 134E Rector St., New York 6, N. Y.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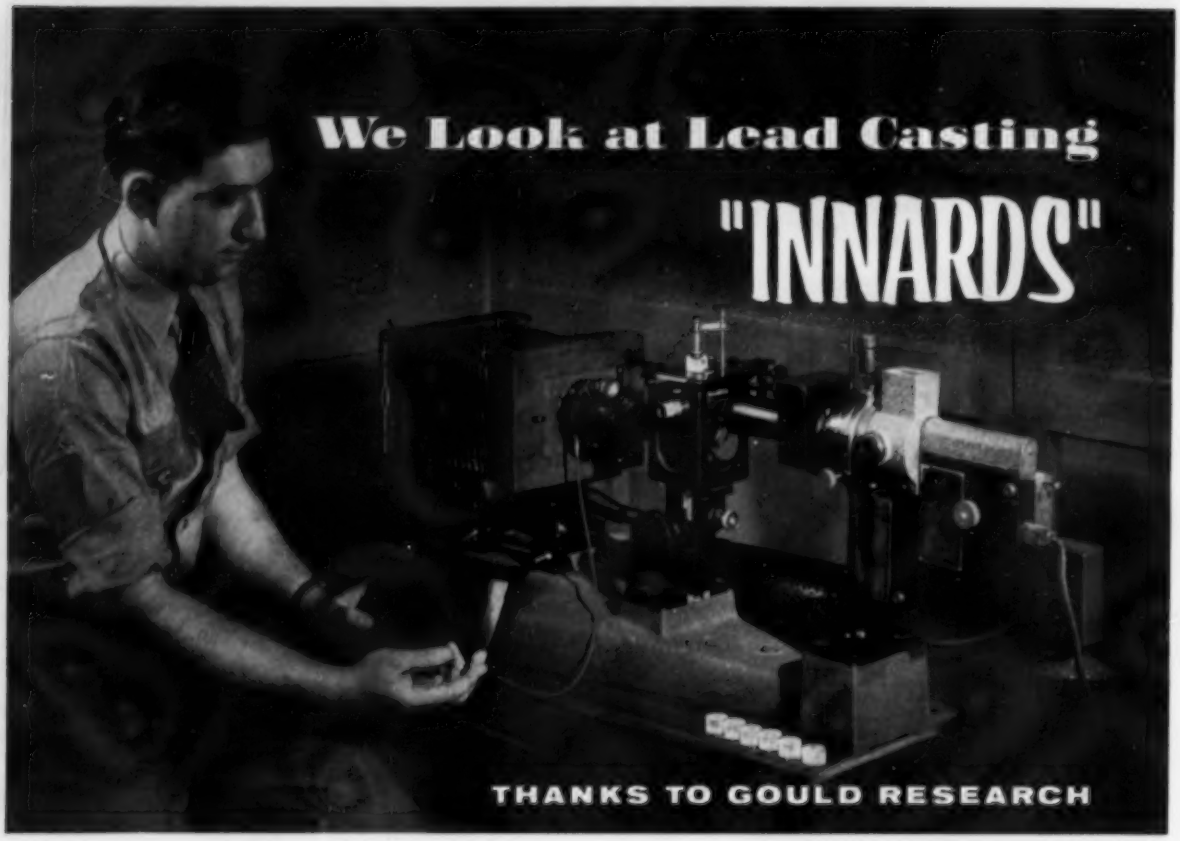

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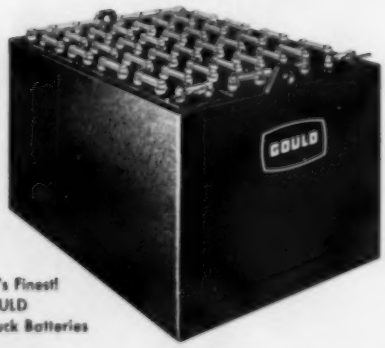

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STEEL
April 4, 1955

Market Outlook

STEEL BUSINESS is good, but don't let its rosy glow blind you.

Sane buying is still good practice.

From the high rate of steel production and demand for light, flat-rolled forms of steel, you might get a distorted view of demand and supply.

CENTER OF DEMAND—Analyze the demand, and you'll find that it's centered in the light, flat-rolled products, principally cold-rolled carbon sheets. In January, for instance, 41.9 per cent of mill shipments of finished steel were sheets and strip, compared with 34.5 per cent in all of 1954.

Demand for cold-rolled sheets probably will get no stronger, may subside. The largest user of them—the automobile industry—is likely at its production peak. Its needs for the last half of this year should be less than for the first half. That should take some of the pressure off the light, flat-rolled products.

THE PEAK?—Already, some leveling off in sheet buying is noted. This isn't the result of decreased consumption. It stems principally from extended bookings: Consumers and producers are reluctant to commit themselves any further ahead. But there should be less incentive to order for third-quarter delivery than in the first and second quarters. Not only should auto needs be less then, but so should those of many consumers who will be taking time out for summer vacations. Too, the beat-a-price-rise incentive will be lacking after the second quarter. If steelworkers' wages increase and bring a steel price rise, it will come at the beginning of the third quarter.

AN EXCEPTION—Even though mills have been pressured for the light, flat-rolled products, the warehouses have not. Cost-conscious consumers have tried to concentrate their orders on mills. While consumers have needed steel, they haven't needed it badly enough to pay warehouse prices for it. Until warehouses feel the same heavy demand as mills, there'll be no widespread resort to conversion and premium-price deals.

While there may be no further rise in demand for the light, flat-rolled goods, the heavier products, such as structurals and plate, will become tighter. They've already moved in that direction.

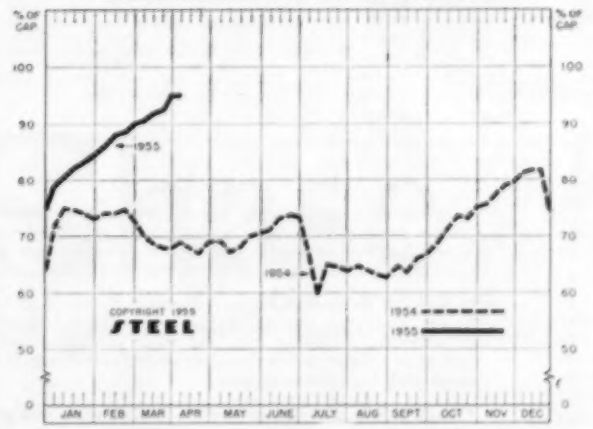
A BALANCER—So, when some products decline in demand, others will rise, assuring a reasonably good, although lower, steel operating rate in the last half of the year (STEEL, Mar. 28, p. 121).

A 95-per-cent operating rate is about the highest that can be expected. Above that level mills would be using marginal facilities. They will be used only in an emergency or when there is an assured long-time capacity demand for steel. Neither exists now.

HALTS CLIMB—Significantly, the steel ingot production rate in the week ended Apr. 3 quit climbing for the first time this year. It halted at 95 per cent of capacity.

PRICE TRENDS—Steel prices remained stable and held STEEL's finished steel price composite at $118.23 a net ton. STEEL's scrap price composite edged down to $37.41 a gross ton from the preceding week's $37.75. Industrial scrap is coming out in good volume.

NATIONAL STEELWORKS OPERATIONS



DISTRICT INGOT RATES

(Percentage of capacity engaged)

	Week Ended Apr. 3	Change	Same Week 1954	Same Week 1953
Pittsburgh	96	— 1*	75	78
Chicago	96.5	— 0.5*	79	107.5
Mid-Atlantic	94	+ 2	61	97
Youngstown	96	0	70	104
Wheeling	89.5	— 4	67.5	101
Cleveland	101	+ 5*	57.5	99
Buffalo	90	0	67.5	106.5
Birmingham	87.5	0	75.5	99
New England	76	— 4	66	92
Cincinnati	88	+ 1	67	97
St. Louis	95	0	63	81
Detroit	90	0	89	107
Western	96	+ 2	79	113
National Rate	95	0	69	96

INGOT PRODUCTION‡

	Week Ended Apr. 3	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
INDEX (1947-1949=100)	140.6†	140.8	138.1	102.6
NET TONS (In thousands)	2,258†	2,262	2,218	1,648

*Change from preceding week's revised rate. †Estimated. ‡Amer. Iron & Steel Institute. Weekly capacity (net tons): 2,413,278 in 1955; 2,384,549 in 1954; 2,254,459 in 1953.

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Price Indexes and Composites

FINISHED STEEL PRICE INDEX (Bureau of Labor Statistics)

	Mar. 29 1955	Mar. 22 1955	Month Ago	Mar. Average
(1947-1949=100)	144.7	144.7	144.7	144.7

AVERAGE PRICES OF STEEL (Bureau of Labor Statistics)

Week Ended Mar. 29

Prices include mill base prices and typical extras and deductions. Units are 100 lb except where otherwise noted in parentheses. For complete description of the following products and extras and deductions applicable to them write to STEEL.

Rails, Standard, No. 1	$4.525	Strip, C.R., Carbon	7.493
Rails, Light, 40 lb	5.917	Strip, C.R., Stainless, 430 (lb)	0.415
Tie Plates	5.275	Strip, H.R., Carbon	5.113
Axles, Railway	7.550	Pipe, Black, Buttweld (100 ft)	15.000
Wheels, Freight Car, 36 in. (per wheel)	48.500	Pipe, Galv., Buttweld (100 ft)	18.606
Plates, Carbon	4.675	Pipe, Line (100 ft)	146.804
Structural Shapes	4.517	Casing, Oil Well, Carbon (100 ft)	164.216
Bars, Tool Steel, Carbon (lb)	0.430	Casing, Oil Well, Alloy (100 ft)	227.675
Bars, Tool Steel, Alloy, Oil Hardening Die (lb)	0.525	Tubes, Boiler (100 ft)	‡
Bars, Tool Steel, H.R., Alloy, High Speed W 6.75, Cr 4.5, V 2.1, Mo 5.5, C 0.60 (lb)	1.115	Tubing, Mechanical, Carbon	‡
Bars, Tool Steel, H.R., Alloy, High Speed W 18, Cr 4, V 1 (lb)	1.610	Tubing, Mechanical, Stainless, 304 (100 ft)	161.193
Bars, H.R., Alloy	8.875	Tin Plate, Hot-dipped, 1.25 lb	8.533
Bars, H.R., Stainless, 303 (lb)	0.423	Tin Plate, Electrolytic, 0.25 lb	7.233
Bars, H.R., Carbon	5.000	Black Plate, Canmaking Quality	6.333
Bars, Reinforcing	4.963	Wire, Drawn, Carbon	7.938
Bars, C.F., Carbon	5.160	Wire, Drawn, Stainless, 430 (lb)	0.545
Bars, C.F., Alloy	11.375	Bale Ties (bundle)	5.860
Bars, C.F., Stainless, 302 (lb)	0.433	Nails, Wire, 8d Common	7.815
Sheets, H.R., Carbon	4.870	Wire, Barbed (80-rod spool)	7.097
Sheets, C.R., Carbon	5.864	Woven Wire Fence (20-rod roll)	16.815
Sheets, Galvanized	7.220		
Sheets, C.R., Stainless, 302 (lb)	0.553		
Sheets, Electrical	$9.350		

‡Not available.

STEEL's FINISHED STEEL PRICE INDEX*

	Mar. 30 1955	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	5 Yrs. Ago
Index (1935-39 avg.=100)	194.53	194.53	194.53	189.74	156.13
Index in cents per lb	5.270	5.270	5.270	5.140	4.230

STEEL's ARITHMETICAL PRICE COMPOSITES

Finished Steel, NT*	$118.40	$118.40†	$117.82	$113.73	$93.18
No. 2 Fdry, Pig Iron, GT	56.54	56.54	56.54	56.54	46.47
Basic Pig Iron, GT	56.04	56.04	56.04	56.04	45.97
Malleable Pig Iron, GT	57.27	57.27	57.27	57.27	47.27
Steelmaking Scrap, GT	37.41	37.75	37.33	24.50	28.75

*For explanation of weighted index see STEEL, Sept. 19, 1949, p. 84; of arithmetical price composite, STEEL, Sept. 1, 1952, p. 130. †Revised.

Comparison of Prices

Comparative prices by districts, in cents per pound except as otherwise noted. Delivered prices based on nearest production point.

FINISHED STEEL	Mar. 30 1955	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	5 Yrs. Ago
Bars, H.R., Pittsburgh	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.15	3.45
Bars, H.R., Chicago	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.15	3.45
Bars, H.R., deld. Philadelphia	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.405	3.93
Bars, C.F., Pittsburgh	5.40	5.40	5.40	5.20	4.10-4.15
Shapes, Std., Pittsburgh	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.10	3.40
Shapes, Std., Chicago	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.10	3.40
Shapes, deld. Philadelphia	4.53	4.53	4.53	4.38	3.42
Plates, Pittsburgh	4.225	4.225	4.225	4.10	3.50
Plates, Chicago	4.225	4.225	4.225	4.10	3.50
Plates, Coatesville, Pa.	4.225	4.225	4.225	4.10	3.60
Plates, Sparrows Point, Md.	4.225	4.225	4.225	4.10	3.50
Plates, Claymont, Del.	4.225	4.225	4.225	4.10	3.60
Sheets, H.R., Pittsburgh	4.05	4.05	4.05	3.925	3.35
Sheets, H.R., Chicago	4.05	4.05	4.05	3.925	3.35
Sheets, C.R., Pittsburgh	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.775	4.10
Sheets, C.R., Chicago	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.775	4.10
Sheets, C.R., Detroit	5.10	5.10	5.10	4.975	4.30
Sheets, Galv., Pittsburgh	5.45	5.45	5.45	5.275	4.40
Strip, H.R., Pittsburgh	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.425	3.25
Strip, H.R., Chicago	4.05	4.05	4.05	3.925	3.25
Strip, C.R., Pittsburgh	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.45	4.15
Strip, C.R., Chicago	5.85	5.85	5.85	5.70	4.30
Strip, C.R., Detroit	5.90	5.90	5.90	5.45-6.05	4.25-.40
Wire, Basic, Pittsburgh	5.75	5.75	5.75	5.525	4.50
Nails, Wire, Pittsburgh	6.85	6.85	6.85	6.55	5.30
Tin Plate (1.50 lb), box, Pitts.	$9.05	$9.05	$9.05	$8.95	$7.50
SEMIFINISHED STEEL					
Billets, Forging, Pitts. (NT)	$78.00	$78.00	$78.00	$75.50	$63.00
Wire Rods, ½-⅝" Pitts.	4.675	4.675	4.675	4.525	3.85
PIG IRON, Gross Ton					
Bessemer, Pitts.	$57.00	$57.00	$57.00	$57.00	$47.00
Basic, Valley	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	46.00
Basic, deld. Phila.	59.66	59.66	59.66	59.66	49.44
No. 2 Fdry, Pitts.	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	46.50
No. 2 Fdry, Chicago	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	46.50
No. 2 Fdry, Valley	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	46.50
No. 2 Fdry, deld. Phila.	55.16	55.16	55.16	60.16	49.94
No. 2 Fdry, Birm.	52.88	52.88	52.88	52.88	42.38
No. 2 Fdry (Birm.) deld. Cin.	60.58	60.58	60.58	60.43	49.06
Malleable, Valley	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	46.50
Malleable, Chicago	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	46.50
Ferromanganese, Duquesne	190.00†	190.00†	190.00†	200.00†	175.00*

*75-82% Mn, gross ton, Etna, Pa. †74-76% Mn, net ton.

SCRAP, Gross Ton (Including broker's commission)					
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Pitts.	$38.50	$38.50	$38.50	$25.50	$32.00
No. 1 Heavy Melt, E. Pa.	37.75	38.75	39.50	22.00	25.25
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Chicago	36.00	36.00	34.00	26.00	29.00
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Valley	37.50	37.50	37.50	23.50	32.75
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Cleve.	35.00	35.00	34.00	34.00	29.25
No. 1 Heavy Melt, Buffalo	32.50	32.50	32.50	24.00	28.25
Rails, Rerolling, Chicago	50.50	50.50	49.50	34.50	45.50
No. 1 Cast, Chicago	41.50	40.00	40.00	36.00	42.50
COKE, Net Ton					
Beehive, Furn, Connisvl.	$13.75	$13.75	$13.75	$14.75	$14.25
Beehive, Fdry, Connisvl.	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.00
Oven, Fdry, Chicago	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	21.00

Daily Nonferrous Price Record

	Price Mar. 30	Last Change	Previous Price	Feb. Avg.	Jan. Avg.	Mar. 1954 Avg.
Copper	36.00	Mar. 29, 1955	33.00	33.000	30.180	29.865
Lead	14.80	Oct. 4, 1954	14.55	14.800	14.800	12.735
Zinc	11.50	Sept. 3, 1954	11.00	11.500	11.500	9.467
Tin	91.25	Mar. 29, 1955	91.25	90.908	87.280	92.518
Nickel	64.50	Nov. 24, 1954	60.00	64.500	64.500	60.000
Aluminum	23.20	Jan. 12, 1955	22.20	23.200	22.900	21.500
Magnesium	26.50	Mar. 21, 1955	27.00	27.000	27.000	27.000

Quotations in cents per pound based on: COPPER, deld. Conn. Valley; LEAD, common grade, deld. St. Louis; ZINC, prime western, E. St. Louis; TIN, Straits, deld. New York; NICKEL, electrolytic cathodes, 99.9%, base size at refinery, unpacked; ALUMINUM, primary ingots, 99+%, deld.; MAGNESIUM, 99.8%, Freeport, Tex.

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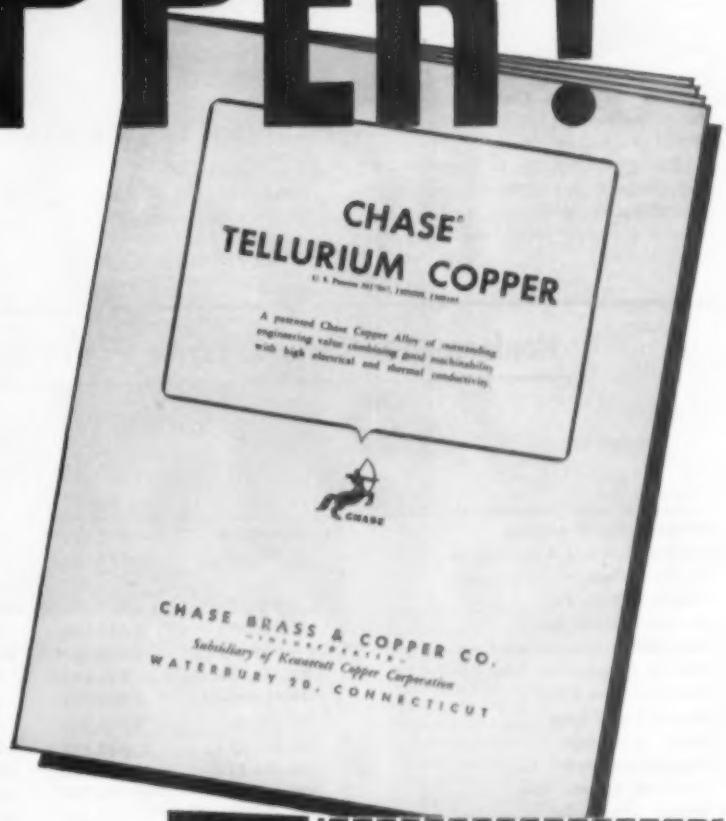
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Nonferrous Metals

Annual reports of nonferrous companies show profits up and sales down for 1954. Emphasis on economical operation, end of excess profits tax offset inventory adjustment

Nonferrous Metal Prices, Pages 130 & 131

PROFITS UP 3.7 PER CENT; sales down 5.1 per cent. That's the essence of the combined annual reports of the 23 nonferrous companies listed below.

These reports, collectively and individually, point out that 1954 wasn't such a bad year after all. In some ways, it was one of the best. Profit per sales dollar for the group was up 12.32 per cent over 1953, which many consider the best year on record. And none of the 23 reports, which were chosen on availability at presstime, shows a loss for 1954.

Value of Cost Cutting—Some of the improved profit position can be attributed to the death of the excess-profits tax. But it is obvious that management in nonferrous companies concentrated on cutting costs to contribute to their own economic well-being in 1954.

Copper Hike Follows Pattern

The pattern of last week's increase in copper to 36 cents a pound was almost identical with that of the January hike, except that Phelps Dodge led the way this time. The effects are likely to be the same, too. There is only so much copper to be bought, no matter what the price is. The industry still faces a shortage which must be dealt with by the government through diversion from stockpile shipments and quotas or embargoes on exports. Such action was anticipated at presstime.

Aluminum Gets Aid at Last

Aluminum finally got some action from the government last week, but many wonder if it's too little and too late. First relief was the release of 150 million lb from stockpile shipments for the current half. Second step was setting a quota of 9000 tons on exports of scrap for the second quarter and holding exports of primary and secondary ingots at the 1954 level. These actions do not represent a considerable cutback in existing levels of export operations, and do not result in much of an increase in the supply for domestic users.

Market Memos

- Another 3 million lb of nickel will be made available for civilian use in the second quarter, with prospects for similar action by the government in the third quarter.
- Don't be surprised if there is a price increase in lead soon. Such a rumor has been going around for some time, and it is becoming more persistent.
- The government is reviewing the stockpile program with an eye on the desirability of piling up the supply of one critical material when other materials needed in the end product are not available.

Nonferrous Industry Reports: Profits Up, Sales Down in 1954

COMPANY	1954 Net Sales	1954 Net Profit	1954 Profit Per Sales Dollar (Cents)	1953 Net Sales	1953 Net Profit	1953 Profit Per Sales Dollar (Cents)
Aluminum Co. of America	$708,344,047	$46,471,470	6.56	$707,538,107	$48,848,094	6.90
American Smelting & Refining Co.	466,774,787	21,477,610	4.60	463,858,943	19,111,632	4.12
Beryllium Corp.	7,381,908	473,038	6.41	9,112,343	591,191	6.49
Bridgeport Brass Co.	105,987,289	5,105,198	4.82	142,659,388	5,325,834	3.73
Calumet & Hecla Inc.	61,578,596	2,238,106	3.63	65,018,793	3,325,437	5.11
Consolidated Copperminas Corp.	9,045,843	2,342,537	25.90	11,650,337	2,873,340	24.66
Fansteel Metallurgical Corp.	22,244,572	913,817	4.11	26,415,015	1,335,219	5.05
General Bronze Corp.	29,730,809	1,239,789	4.17	25,890,981	1,153,329	4.45
General Cable Corp.	97,424,642	5,219,933	5.36	116,518,859	5,095,416	4.37
Handy & Harman	65,766,026	623,738	0.95	84,872,402	1,032,161	1.22
International Nickel Corp.	352,273,825	65,295,186	18.54	338,579,995	53,694,526	15.86
Kennecott Copper Corp.	423,642,404	77,906,288	18.39	476,668,320	88,753,873	18.62
Magma Copper Co.	17,085,705	5,535,297	32.40	15,326,034	4,759,891	31.05
Metal & Thermit Corp.	22,099,745	1,639,124	7.42	25,975,477	1,471,797	5.67
Mueller Brass Co.	49,395,600	2,304,214	4.66	60,671,041	2,924,433	4.82
National Lead Co.	419,333,961	36,618,651	8.73	436,050,592	30,848,928	7.07
Phelps Dodge Corp.	277,063,666	42,547,811	15.36	292,520,375	40,776,529	13.94
Reynolds Metals Co.	306,778,822	20,280,908	6.61	287,892,987	18,320,975	6.36
Revere Copper & Brass Inc.	193,272,861	10,276,994	5.32	250,616,942	10,380,167	4.14
St. Joseph Lead Co.	95,003,072	7,523,503	7.92	88,002,426	6,300,342	7.16
Scovill Mfg. Co.	110,975,919	4,404,758	3.97	125,489,218	3,706,066	2.95
Titan Metal Mfg. Co.	28,336,551	1,626,763	5.74	39,988,530	1,712,371	4.28
United States Smelting, Refining & Mining Co.	34,842,168	1,935,300	5.55	34,014,543	—836,610	—2.46
TOTALS	$3,914,382,818	$364,000,033	9.30	$4,125,331,648	$341,504,141	8.28

Newport Steel

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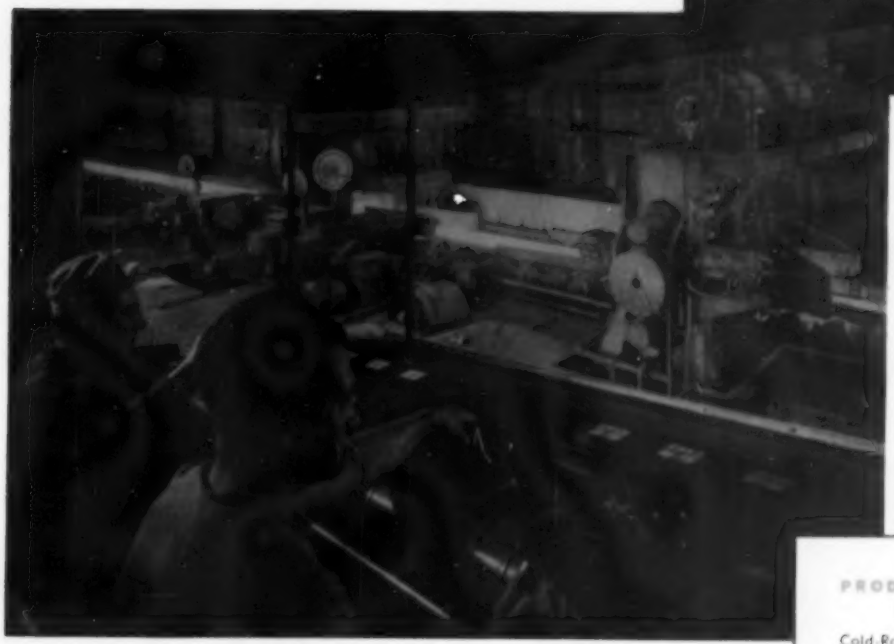
Basic ingredients of the best steel are experience and skill, modern facilities and youthful drive. At this mill 25% of the personnel have served 25 years or more. And young men devoted to the improvement of quality and service are increasingly attracted by Newport's many new facilities, the latest of which is a reversing cold mill. Combine these assets with freight-saving location in the area of greatest industrial growth, and you have a most logical source indeed for your steel requirements. Check this list of products, then check with Newport for what you need.



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Nonferrous Metals

Cents per pound, carlots, except as otherwise noted

PRIMARY METALS AND ALLOYS

Aluminum: 99 + %, ingots 23.20, pigs 21.50, 10,000 lb or more, f.o.b. shipping point. Freight allowed on 500 lb or more.

Aluminum Alloy: No. 13, 12% Si, 25.00; No. 43, 5% Si, 24.80; No. 142, 4% Cu, 1.5% Mg, 2% Ni, 26.20; No. 195, 4.5% Cu, 0.8% Si, 25.50; No. 214, 3.8% Mg, 26.20; No. 356, 7% Si, 0.3% Mg, 24.90.

Antimony: R.M.M. brand, 99.5%, 26.50, Lone Star brand, 29.00, f.o.b. Laredo, Tex., in bulk. Foreign brands, 99.5%, 27.00-28.00 New York, duty paid, 10,000 lb or more.

Beryllium: 97%, lump or beads, $71.50 per lb, f.o.b. Cleveland or Reading, Pa.

Beryllium Aluminum: 5% Be, $72.75 per lb of contained Be, f.o.b. Reading, Pa., Elmore, O.

Beryllium Copper: 3.75-4.25% Be, $40 per lb of contained Be, with balance as Cu at market price on shipment date, f.o.b. Reading, Pa., or Elmore, O.

Bismuth: $2.25 per lb, ton lots.

Cadmium: Sticks and bars, $1.70 per lb, deld.

Cobalt: 97-99%, $2.60 per lb for 550-lb keg; $2.62 per lb for 100-lb case; $2.67 per lb under 100 lb.

Columbium: Powder, $118.30 per lb, nom.

Copper: Electrolytic 36.00 deld. Conn. Valley; 36.00 deld. Midwest; Lake 36.00 deld; Fire refined 35.75 deld.

Germanium: 99.9%, $295 per lb, nom.

Gold: U. S. Treasury, $35 per oz.

Indium: 99.9%, $2.25 per troy oz.

Iridium: $90-$120 nom. per troy oz.

Lead: Common 14.80, chemical 14.90, corroding 14.90, St. Louis; N. Y. basis, add 0.20.

Lithium: 98%, $10-$14 per lb, depending on quantity.

Magnesium: 99.8%, self-palletizing pig 23.50; notched ingot 29.25, 10,000 lb or more, f.o.b. Freeport, Tex. For Port Newark, N. J., and Madison, Ill., add 1.20 for pig and 1.25 for ingot. Sticks 1.3 in. diameter, 47.50, 100 to 4999 lb, f.o.b. Madison, Ill.

Magnesium Alloys: AZ91C and alloys C, H, G and R 34.00; alloy M 36.00, 10,000 lb or more, f.o.b. Freeport, Tex., or Madison, Ill. Add 1.20 for Port Newark, N. J.

Mercury: Open market, spot, New York, $320-$323, per 76-lb flask.

Molybdenum: Powder 99% hydrogen reduced $3-$3.25 per lb; pressed ingot $4.06 per lb; sintered ingot $5.53 per lb.

Nickel: Electrolytic cathodes, sheets (4 x 4 in. and larger), unpacked 66.50; 10-lb pigs, unpacked 67.05; "XX" nickel shot 69.00; "F" nickel shot or ingots for addition to cast iron, 64.50; prices f.o.b. Port Colborne, Ont., including import duty. New York basis, add 0.92.

Osmium: $120-$130, nom., per troy oz.

Palladium: $17-$20 per troy oz.

Platinum: $76-$80 per troy oz from refineries.

Radium: $16-$21.50 per mg radium content, depending on quantity.

Rhodium: $118-$125 per troy oz.

Ruthenium: $45-$56 per troy oz.

Selenium: 99.5%, $6-$7.25 per lb.

Silver: Open market, 88.50 per troy oz.

Sodium: 16.50, c.l.; 17.00 l.c.l.

Tantalum: Sheet, rod $68.70 per lb; powder $40.20 per lb.

Tellurium: $1.75 per lb.

Thallium: $12.50 per lb.

Tin: Straits, N. Y., spot and prompt, 91.50.

Titanium: Sponge, 99.3+ %, grade A-1 ductile (0.3% Fe max) $4.50, grade A-2 (0.5% Fe max) $4 per pound.

Tungsten: Powder, 98.8%, carbon reduced, 1000-lb lots $4.35-$4.40 per lb, nom., f.o.b. shipping point; less than 1000 lb add 15.00; 99+ % hydrogen reduced, $4.65. Treated ingots $6.70.

Zinc: Prime Western 11.50, brass special 11.75, intermediate 12.00, E. St. Louis, freight allowed over 0.50 per pound. High grade 12.85, special high grade 13.00, die casting alloy ingot 15.50, deld.

Zirconium: Sponge $10 per lb; powder electronics grade $15, flash grade $11.50. (Note: Chromium, manganese and silicon metals are listed in ferroalloy section.)

SECONDARY METALS AND ALLOYS

Aluminum Ingot: Piston alloy 31.00-31.75; No. 12 foundry alloy (No. 2 grade) 29.25-30.50; 5% silicon alloy, 0.60 Cu max, 31.25-32.25; 13 alloy; 0.60 Cu max, 31.25-32.25; 195 alloy 30.75-33.00; 108 alloy 30.00-31.00; steel deoxidizing grades, notch bars, granulated or shot: Grade 1, 30.75-32.50; grade 2, 30.00-31.50; grade 3, 29.25-30.50; grade 4, 28.75-29.50.

Brass Ingot: Red brass No. 115, 37.00; tin bronze No. 225, 48.50; No. 245, 42.25; high-leaded tin bronze No. 305, 41.00; No. 1 yellow, No. 405, 32.25; manganese bronze No. 421, 34.75.

Magnesium Alloy Ingot: AZ63A, 31.00; AZ91B, 26.00; AZ91B, 31.00; AZ92A, 31.00.

NONFERROUS MILL PRODUCTS

BERYLLIUM COPPER

(Base prices per lb, plus mill extras, 2000 to 5000 lb, f.o.b. Temple, Pa.; nominal 1.9% Be alloy) Strip, $1.71; rod, bar, wire, $1.68.

COPPER WIRE

Bare, soft, f.o.b. eastern mills, 100,000-lb lots, 38.35-42.45; 30,000-lb lots, 38.48-42.58; l.c.l., 38.98-43.08. Weatherproof, 100,000 lb, 38.53-41.60; 30,000 lb 38.78-41.85; l.c.l. 39.28-42.35. Magnet wire deld., 15,000 lb or more 44.99-49.31; l.c.l. 45.74-50.06.

LEAD

(Prices to jobbers, f.o.b. Buffalo, Cleveland, Pittsburgh) Sheets, full rolls, 140 sq ft or more $20 per cwt; pipe, full coils $20 per cwt; traps and bends, list prices plus 30%.

TITANIUM

(Prices per lb, 10,000 lb and over, f.o.b. mill) Sheets, $15; sheared mill plate, $12; strip, $15; wire, $10; forging billets, $9; hot-rolled and forged bars, $9.

ZINC

(Prices per lb, c.l., f.o.b. mill) Sheets 23.00, ribbon zinc in coils, 19.00-20.50; plates 18.00-22.25.

ZIRCONIUM

Plate $27; H.R. strip $26; C.R. strip $35; forged or H.R. bars $27; wire, 0.015 in., 1.60c per linear foot.

NICKEL, MONEL, INCONEL

	"A" Nickel	Monel	Inconel
Sheet, C.R.	102	78	99
Strip, C.R.	102	87	125
Plate, H.R.	97	82	95
Rod, Shapes H.R.	87	69	93
Rod, Shapes C.R.	91	75	115
Seamless Tubes	122	108	153
Shot, Blocks		65	

ALUMINUM

Screw Machine Stock: 5000 lb and over.

Diam.(in.)or across flats	Round 2011-T3	Round 2017-T4	Hexagonal 2011-T3	Hexagonal 2017-T4
Drawn				
0.125	63.5	62.0	...	...
0.156-0.172	53.9	52.3	...	...
0.188	53.9	52.3	...	66.8
0.219-0.234	51.1	49.5	...	...
0.250-0.281	51.1	49.5	...	63.7
0.313	51.1	49.5	...	60.8
Cold-finished				
0.375-0.547	49.9	47.5	50.8	57.2
0.563-0.688	49.9	47.5	56.9	53.7
0.750-1.000	48.7	46.3	52.1	50.6
1.062	48.7	46.3	...	48.9
1.125-1.500	46.9	44.6	50.4	48.9
Rolled				
1.563	45.7	43.4	...	...
1.625-2.000	45.1	42.8	...	47.2
2.125-2.500	44.0	41.7	...	...
2.563-3.375	42.7	40.5	...	...

ALUMINUM

Sheets and Circles: 1100 and 3003 mill finish (30,000 lb base; freight allowed over 499 lb)

Thickness Range Inches	Flat Sheet	Flat Sheet Circles*	Coiled Sheet	Coiled Sheet Circles†
0.249-0.136	35.9	40.4	...	...
0.135-0.096	36.4	41.3	...	...
0.095-0.077	37.1	42.3	34.6	39.6
0.076-0.061	37.7	43.2	34.8	39.8
0.060-0.048	38.2	43.6	35.1	40.2
0.047-0.038	38.7	44.5	35.6	40.6
0.037-0.030	39.1	45.0	36.0	41.3
0.029-0.024	39.7	45.5	36.3	41.8
0.023-0.019	40.4	46.9	37.1	42.6
0.018-0.017	41.2	...	37.7	43.5
0.016-0.015	42.1	...	38.5	44.7
0.014	43.1	...	39.5	46.0
0.013-0.012	44.3	...	40.2	47.0
0.011	45.3	...	41.4	48.6
0.010-0.0065	46.5	...	42.5	50.2
0.009-0.0065	47.8	...	44.0	52.3
0.008-0.0075	49.4	...	45.2	54.1
0.007	50.9	...	46.7	56.4
0.006	52.5	...	48.1	61.4

*48 in. max diam. †36 in. max diam.

ALUMINUM

Plates and Circles: Thickness 0.250-3 in., 24-60 in. width or diam, 72-240 in. lengths.

Alloy	Plate Base	Circle Base
1100-F, 3003-F	34.6	38.8
5050-F	35.7	39.9
3004-F	36.7	41.6
5052-F	38.4	43.4
6061-T6	39.6	44.0
2024-T4*	41.8	47.9
7075-T6*	49.6	56.2

*24-48 in. widths or diam, 72-180 in. lengths.

ALUMINUM

Forging Stock: Round, Class 1, 43.80-37.30, in specific lengths 36-144 in., diameters 0.375-8 in. Rectangles and squares, Class 1, 53.60-41.00 in random lengths, 0.375-4 in. thick, widths 0.750-10 in.

Pipe: A.S.A. Schedule 40, alloy 6063-T6, 20-ft lengths, plain ends, 90,000-lb base, per 100 ft.

Nom. Pipe Size (in.)		Nom. Pipe Size (in.)	
⅜	$16.10	3	$ 49.55
1	25.35	4	136.65
1¼	34.20	6	244.90
1½	41.00	8	388.50

MAGNESIUM

Sheet: AZ31, commercial grade, 0.032-in. 97.00, 0.064-in. 76.00, 0.125-in. 61.50, 30,000 lb and over, f.o.b. mill.

Plate: Hot-rolled AZ31, 83.00, 20,000 lb or more, 0.250-in. and over widths to 48 in., lengths to 144 in.; raised pattern floor plate, 89.00, 20,000 lb or more, ¼-in. thick, widths 24-72 in., lengths 60-192 in.

Extrusion Stock: AZ31, Rectangles, ½ x 2 in. 69.20, 1 x 4 in. 63.00. Rod, 1 in. 66.00, 2 in. 62.50. Tubing, 1 in. OD x 0.065-in. 87.00. Angles, 1 x 1 x ⅛-in 72.90, 2 x 2 x ¼-in. 67.00. Channels, 5 in. 67.80. I-Beams, 5 in. 68.20.

NONFERROUS SCRAP

DEALERS' BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, New York, in ton lots)

Aluminum: 1100 clippings 17.50-18.50; old sheet 14.00-16.00; borings and turnings 9.50-10.50; crankcases 14.00-16.00; industrial castings 14.00-16.00.

BRASS MILL PRICES

	MILL PRODUCTS a				SCRAP ALLOWANCES f		
	Sheet, Strip, Plate	Rod	Wire	Seamless Tube	Clean Heavy	Rod Ends	Clean Turnings
Copper	51.76b	49.36	....	51.82	29.000	29.000	28.250
Yellow Brass	44.27	44.21	44.81	47.18	21.875	21.625	20.125
Red Brass, 85%	48.44	48.38	48.98	51.25	25.500	25.250	24.750
Low Brass, 80%	47.35	47.29	47.80	50.16	24.625	24.375	23.875
Naval Brass	48.18	42.49	55.24	51.34	20.250	20.000	19.500
Com. Bronze, 90%	50.08	50.02	50.62	52.64	26.625	26.375	25.875
Nickel Silver, 10%	58.25	62.25g	60.58	....	26.000	25.750	13.000
Phos. Bronze, A, 5%	70.12	70.62	70.62	71.80	29.375	29.125	28.125
Silicon Bronze	55.94	55.13	55.98	57.86e	28.000	27.750	27.000
Manganese Bronze	51.92	46.02	56.46	....	20.375	20.125	19.500
Munts Metal	46.34	42.15	....	....	20.625	20.375	19.875

a. Cents per lb, f.o.b. mill; freight allowed on 500 lb or more. b. Hot-rolled. c. Cold-drawn. d. Free cutting. e. 3% silicon. f. Prices in cents per lb for less than 20,000 lb, f.o.b. shipping point. On lots over 20,000 lb at one time, of any or all kinds of scrap, add 1 cent per lb. g. Leaded.

These prices are based on copper at 33 cents a lb. New prices based on copper at 36 cents a lb will appear as soon as they are available.

Copper and Brass: Heavy copper and wire No. 32.00-32.50; No. 2 copper 30.00-31.00; light copper 27.50-28.00; No. 1 composition red brass 25.50-26.00; No. 1 composition turnings 23.50-24.00; yellow brass turnings 16.00-16.50; new brass clippings 21.50-22.00; No. 1 brass rod turnings 19.50-20.00; light brass 17.00-17.50; heavy yellow brass 18.00-18.50; new brass rod ends 18.50-19.50; auto radiators, unsweated 20.00-20.50; cocks and faucets 21.00-21.50; brass pipe 21.00-21.50.

Lead: Heavy 11.50-11.75; battery plate 6.00-6.75; linotype and stereotype 13.50-14.50; electrotype 12.00-12.50; mixed babbitt 12.00-14.00.

Magnesium: Clippings 18.50-19.50; clean castings 18.00-19.00; iron castings, not over 10% removable Fe, less full deduction for Fe, 16.00-17.00.

Monel: Clippings 28.00-36.00; old sheet 26.00-32.00; turnings 21.00; rods 28.00-36.00.

Nickel: Sheets and clips 57.00-70.00; rolled anodes 57.00-70.00; turnings 40.00-55.00; rod ends 57.00-70.00.

Tin: No. 1 pewter 50.00-55.00; block tin pipe 70.00-75.00; No. 1 babbitt 45.00-48.00.

Zinc: Old zinc 4.75-5.50; new die cast scrap 4.75-5.00; old die cast scrap 3.25-3.50.

REFINERS' BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, carlots, delivered refinery)

Aluminum: 1100 clippings 19.00-21.00; 3003 clippings 19.00-21.00; 6151 clippings 1900-21.00; 5052 clippings 19.00-21.00; 2014 clippings 18.50-20.50; 2017 clippings 18.50-20.50; 2024 clippings 18.50-20.50; mixed clippings 18.00-20.00; old sheet 17.50-18.50; old cast 17.50-18.50; clean old cable (free of steel) 20.00-21.00; borings and turnings 17.50-19.00.

Beryllium Copper: Heavy scrap, 0.020-in. and heavier, not less than 1.5% Be, 45.00; light scrap 40.00.

Copper, Brass: No. 1 copper 36.00; No. 2 copper 34.50; light copper 32.75; refinery brass (60% copper) per dry copper content 31.00-31.50.

INGOTMAKERS' BUYING PRICES

(Cents per pound, carlots, delivered)

Copper, Brass: No. 1 copper 34.00-35.00; No. 2 copper 32.00; light copper 30.25; No. 1 composition borings 27.00-28.00; No. 1 composition solids 27.50-28.00; heavy yellow brass solids 21.50-22.00; yellow brass turnings 21.00; radiators 22.00-22.50.

PLATING MATERIAL

(F.o.b. shipping point, freight allowed on quantities)

ANODES

Cadmium: Special or patented shapes $1.70 per lb.

Copper: Flat-rolled 48.42, oval 47.92, 5000-10,000 lb; electrodeposited 42.78, 2000-5000 lb lots; cast 45.04, 5000-10,000 lb quantities.

Nickel: Depolarized, less than 100 lb $1.015; 100-499 lb 99.50; 500-4999 lb 95.50; 5000-29,999 lb 93.50; 30,000 lb 91.50. Carbonized, deduct 3 cents a lb. All prices eastern delivery effective Jan. 1, 1955.

Tin: Bar or slab, less than 200 lb $1.095; 200-499 lb $1.08; 500-999 lb $1.075; 1000 lb or more $1.07.

Zinc: Bar 20.00, bar or flat top 19.00, ton lots.

CHEMICALS

Cadmium Oxide: $2.15 per lb, in 100-lb drums.

Chromic Acid: Less than 10,000 lb 28.50; over 10,000 lb 27.50.

Copper Cyanide: 100 lb 71.80; 200 lb 71.05; 300 lb 70.80; 400-900 lb 70.05; 1000 lb and over 68.05, effective Feb. 11, 1955.

Copper Sulphate: Crystal, 100 lb 20.50; 200 lb 17.50; 300 lb 16.50; 400 lb 16.00; 500-1900 lb 14.50; 2000 to 10,000 lb 14.25; 10,000 lb and up 14.15. Powder, add 0.5 to above prices. Effective Jan. 31, 1955.

Nickel Chloride: 100 lb 46.50; 200 lb 44.50; 300 lb 43.50; 400-4900 lb 41.50; 5000-9900 lb 39.50; 10,000 lb and over 38.50. All prices eastern delivery, effective Jan. 1, 1955.

Nickel Sulphate: 100 lb 38.25; 200 lb 36.25; 300 lb 35.25; 400-4900 lb 33.25; 5000-35,900 lb 31.25; 36,000 lb 30.25. All prices eastern delivery, effective Jan. 1, 1955.

Silver Cyanide: Cents per ounce, 16 oz 80.625; 100 oz 78.50; 25,000 oz and over 77.325.

Sodium Cyanide: Egg, under 1000 lb 19.80; 1000-19,900 lb 18.80; 20,000 lb and over 17.80; granular, add 1-cent premium to above.

Sodium Stannate: Less than 100 lb 70.10; 100-600 lb 55.90; 700-1900 lb 53.40; 2000-9900 lb 51.70; 10,000 lb or more 50.60.

Stannous Chloride (Anhydrous): Less than 50 lb $1.558; 50 lb $1.218, 100-300 lb $1.068, 400-900 lb $1.043; 1000-1900 lb $1.019; 2000-4900 lb 98.20; 5000-19,900 lb 92.10, 20,000 lb and over 86.00.

Stannous Sulphate: Less than 5 lb $1.258; 50 lb 95.80; 100-1900 lb 93.80; 2000 lb and over 91.80.

Zinc Cyanide: Under 1000 lb 54.30; 1000 lb and over 52.30.

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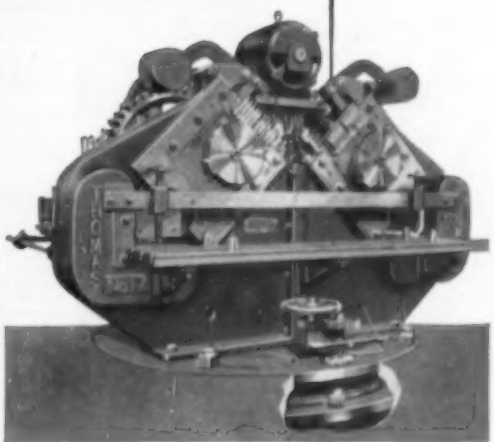

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Steel Prices

Mill prices as reported to STEEL, cents per pound except as otherwise noted. Changes shown in italics. Code numbers following mill points indicate producing company. Key on page 133. Key to footnotes, page 135.

SEMIFINISHED

INGOTS, Carbon, Forging (NT)

Munhall,Pa. U5 ....$61.50

INGOTS, Alloy (NT)

Detroit R7 ....$65.00
Houston 85 ....70.00
Midland,Pa. C18 ....65.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....65.00

BILLETS, BLOOMS & SLABS
Carbon, Rerolling (NT)

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....$64.00
Bessemer,Pa. U5 ....64.00
Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ..69.00
Buffalo R2 ....64.00
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....64.00
Ensley,Ala. T2 ....64.00
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....64.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....72.00
Gary,Ind. U5 ....64.00
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....64.00
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2..64.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....64.00
Pittsburgh J5 ....64.00
So.Chicago,Ill. R2, U5..64.00
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ..64.00
Youngstown R2 ....64.00

Carbon, Forging (NT)

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....$78.00
Bessemer,Pa. U5 ....78.00
Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ..83.00
Buffalo R2 ....78.00
Canton,O. R2 ....80.00
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....78.00
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..83.00
Ensley,Ala. T2 ....78.00
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....78.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....86.00
Gary,Ind. U5 ....78.00
Geneva,Utah C11 ....78.00
Houston 85 ....83.00
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....78.00
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2..78.00
LosAngeles B3 ....87.50
Midland,Pa. C18 ....78.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....78.00
Pittsburgh J5 ....78.00
Seattle B3 ....91.50
So.Chicago R2,U5,W14..78.00
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ..78.00
So.SanFrancisco B3 ..87.50

Alloy, Forging (NT)

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....$86.00
Buffalo R2 ....86.00
Canton,O. R2, T7 ....86.00
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..93.00
Detroit R7 ....86.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....105.00
Gary,Ind. U5 ....86.00
Houston 85 ....91.00
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ...86.00
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....86.00
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..86.00
LosAngeles B3 ....106.00
Massillon,O. R2 ....86.00
Midland,Pa. C18 ....86.00
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....86.00
So.Chicago, R2,U5,W14..86.00
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ...86.00
Struthers,O. Y1 ....86.00
Warren,O. C17 ....86.00

ROUNDS, SEAMLESS TUBE (NT)

Buffalo R2 ....$96.50
Canton,O. R2 ....96.50
Cleveland R2 ....96.50
Gary,Ind. U5 ....96.50
So.Chicago R2, W14 ..96.50
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ...96.50

SKELP

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.00
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....4.775
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....3.90
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..3.90
Warren,O. R2 ....3.90
Youngstown R2, U5 ....3.90

WIRE RODS

AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 ..4.675
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.675
Alton,Ill. L1 ....4.85
Buffalo B11, W12 ....4.675
Cleveland A7 ....4.675
Donora,Pa. A7 ....4.675
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.675
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.475
Houston 85 ....4.925
IndianaHarbor,Ind. Y1 ..4.675
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.675
Joliet,Ill. A7 ....4.675
KansasCity,Mo. 85 ....4.925
Kokomo,Ind. C16 ....4.775
LosAngeles B3 ....5.475
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ..4.925
Monessen,Pa. P7 ....4.675
No.Tonawanda,N.Y.B11 4.675
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ...5.325
Portsmouth P12 ....4.675
Roebling,N.J. R5 ....4.775
So.Chicago,Ill. R2 ....4.675
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..4.775
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 ...4.675
Sterling,Ill. N15 ....4.775
Struthers,O. Y1 ....4.675
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....5.475
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....4.975

STRUCTURALS

Carbon Steel Stand. Shapes

Ala.City,Ala. R2 ....4.25
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.25
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....4.25
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....4.30
Birmingham C15 ....4.25
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....4.25
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.25
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....4.90
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.25
Geneva,Utah C11 ....4.25
Houston 85 ....4.30
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....4.25
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.30
KansasCity,Mo. 85 ....4.30
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.30
LosAngeles B3 ....4.95
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....4.70
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....4.25
Niles,Calif. P1 ....4.90
Portland,Oreg. O4 ....5.00
Phoenixville,Pa. 4.20
Seattle B3 ....5.00
So.Chicago U5, W14 ....4.25
So.SanFrancisco B3 ....4.90
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....4.95
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....4.25

Wide Flange

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....4.30
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....4.25
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.25
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.30
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....4.25
Phoenixville,Pa. P4 ....4.30
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....4.25

Alloy Stand. Shapes

Clairton,Pa. U5 ....5.20
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.60
Gary,Ind. U5 ....5.20
Houston 85 ....5.25
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....5.20
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....5.20

H.S., L.A. Stand. Shapes

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....6.40
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....6.40
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....6.45
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....6.40
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....6.40
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....7.05
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.40
STEEL 5½on6 3-24 RAY
Geneva,Utah C11 ....6.40
Houston 85 ....6.45
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1..6.40
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....6.45
KansasCity,Mo. 85 ....6.45
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.45
LosAngeles B3 ....7.10
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....6.40
Seattle B3 ....7.15
So.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14..6.40
So.SanFrancisco B3 ....7.05
Struthers,O. Y1 ....6.40

H.S., L.A. Wide Flange

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....6.45
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.45
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....6.40
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....6.40

PILING

BEARING PILES

Munhall,Pa. U5 ....4.25
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....4.25

STEEL SHEET PILING

Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ...5.075
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..5.075
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....5.075
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....5.075

PLATES

PLATES, Carbon Steel

Ala.City,Ala. R2 ....4.225
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.225
Ashland,Ky.(15) A10 ..4.225
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....4.225
Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ..4.475
Buffalo R2 ....4.225
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....4.225
Claymont,Del. (22 ....4.225
Cleveland J5, R2 ....4.225
Coatesville,Pa. L7 ....4.225
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..4.225
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....4.325
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.225
Fontana,Calif.(30) H1..4.875
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.225
Geneva,Utah C11 ....4.225
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ....4.425
Harrisburg,Pa. C5 ....4.225
Houston 85 ....4.275
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1..4.225
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.225
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.225
LoneStar,Tex. L6 ....4.55
Mansfield,O. E6 ....4.225
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ..5.075
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....4.225
Newport,Ky. N9 ....4.225
Pittsburgh J5 ....4.225
Riverdale,Ill. A1 ....4.225
Seattle B3 ....5.125
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....4.225
So.Chicago R2, U5, W14 4.225
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..4.225
Steubenville,O. W10 ..4.225
Warren,O. R2 ....4.225
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....4.225
Youngstown R2,U5,Y1..4.225

PLATES, Carbon Abras. Resist.

Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.025
Geneva,Utah C11 ....5.375

PLATES, Wrought Iron

Economy,Pa. B14 ....9.80

PLATES,High-Strength Low-Alloy

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....6.45
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....6.45
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....6.45
Cleveland J5, R2 ....6.45
Coatesville,Pa. L7 ....6.45
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..6.45
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....6.55
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....6.45
Fontana,Calif. (30) K1..7.15
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.45
Geneva,Utah C11 ....6.45
Houston 85 ....6.50
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1..6.45
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....6.45
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.45
LosAngeles B3 ....7.35
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....6.45
Pittsburgh J5 ....6.45
Seattle B3 ....7.35
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....6.45
So.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14..6.45
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..6.45
Youngstown U5, Y1 ....6.45

PLATES, Alloy

Claymont,Del. C22 ....5.80
Coatesville,Pa. L7 ....5.80
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.45
Gary,Ind. U5 ....5.80
Houston 85 ....5.85
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....5.80
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....5.80
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....5.80
Newport,Ky. N9 ....5.80
Seattle B3 ....6.70
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....5.80
So.Chicago,Ill. U5, W14..5.80
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..5.80
Youngstown Y1 ....5.80

FLOOR PLATES

Cleveland J5 ....5.275
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..5.275
Harrisburg,Pa. C5 ....5.275
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ....5.275
Munhall,Pa. U5 ....5.275
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ....5.275

PLATES, Ingot Iron

Ashland c.l. (15) A10..4.475
Ashland l.c.l. (15) A10..4.975
Cleveland c.l. R2 ....4.825
Warren,O. c.l. R2 ....4.825

BARS

BAR, Hot-Rolled Carbon

Ala.City,Ala. R2 ....4.30
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.30
Alton,Ill. L1 ....4.50
Atlanta A11 ....4.60
Bessemer, Ala. T2 ....4.30
Birmingham C15 ....4.30
Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ..4.55
Buffalo R2 ....4.30
Canton,O. R2 ....4.40
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....4.30
Cleveland R2 ....4.30
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....4.40
Emeryville,Calif. J7 ....5.05
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.30
FairlessHills,Pa. U5 ....4.45
Fontana,Calif. R1 ....5.00
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.30
Houston 85 ....4.85
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1..4.30
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....4.30
KansasCity,Mo. 85 ....4.55
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..4.30
LosAngeles B3 ....5.00
Massillon,O. R2 ....4.40
Midland,Pa. C18 ....4.30
Milton,Pa. M18 ....4.30
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....4.75
Niles,Calif. P1 ....5.00
N.Tonawanda,N.Y. B11..4.30
Pittsburg,Calif. C11....5.00
Pittsburgh J5 ....4.30
Portland,Oreg. O4 ....5.05
Seattle B3, N14, P23 ...5.05
So.Chicago, R2,U5,W14..4.30
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....4.30
So.SanFran.,Calif. B3 ..5.05
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 ....4.30
Sterling,Ill. N15 ....4.40
Struthers,O. Y1 ....4.30
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....5.00
Warren,O. R2 ....4.30
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....4.30
Youngstown R2, U5 ....4.30

BARS, Hot-Rolled Alloy

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....5.075
Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ..5.225
Buffalo R2 ....5.075
Canton,O. R2, T7 ....5.075
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....5.075
Detroit R7 ....5.075
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....5.175
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....6.125
FairlessHills,Pa. U5 ...5.225
Gary,Ind. U5 ....5.075
Houston 85 ....5.325
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1..5.075
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....5.075
KansasCity,Mo. 85 ....5.325
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..5.075
LosAngeles B3 ....6.125
Massillon,O. R2 ....5.075
Midland,Pa. C18 ....5.075
So.Chicago R2,U5,W14..5.075
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ...5.075
Struthers,O. Y1 ....5.075
Warren,O. C17 ....5.075
Youngstown U5 ....5.075

BARS, H.R. Loaded Alloy

Warren,O. C17 ....5.825

BARS & SMALL SHAPES, H.R. High-Strength Low-Alloy

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....6.45
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....6.45
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....6.45
Clairton,Pa. U5 ....6.45
Cleveland R2 ....6.45
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....6.55
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....6.45
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....7.70
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.45
Houston 85 ....6.70
Ind.Harb.,Ind. I-2, Y1..6.45
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....6.45
KansasCity,Mo. 85 ....6.70
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.45
LosAngeles B3 ....7.15
Pittsburgh J5 ....6.45
Seattle B3 ....7.20
So.Chicago W14 ....6.45
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ....6.45
So.SanFrancisco B3 ....7.20
Struthers,O. Y1 ....6.45
Warren,O. R2 ....6.45
Youngstown U5 ....6.45

BAR SIZE ANGLES; H.R. Carbon

Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....4.45

BAR SIZE ANGLES; S. Shapes

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....4.30
Atlanta A11 ....4.50
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.00
Niles,Calif. P1 ....5.00
Pittsburgh J5 ....4.30
Portland,Oreg. O4 ....5.05
SanFrancisco S7 ....4.70

BAR SHAPES, Hot-Rolled Alloy

Clairton,Pa. U5 ....5.20
Gary,Ind. U5 ....5.20
Houston 85 ....5.45
KansasCity,Mo. 85 ....5.45
Youngstown U5 ....5.20

BARS, Cold-Finished Carbon

Ambridge,Pa. W18 ....5.40
BeaverFalls,Pa. M12, R2..5.40
Buffalo B5 ....5.45
Camden,N.J. P13 ....5.85
Carnegie,Pa. C12 ....5.40
Chicago W18 ....5.40
Cleveland A7, C20 ....5.40
Detroit R7 ....5.40
Detroit B5, P17 ....5.60
Donora,Pa. A7 ....5.40
Elyria,O. W8 ....5.40
FranklinPark,Ill. N5 ....5.40
Gary,Ind. R2 ....5.40
GreenBay,Wis. F7 ....5.40
Hammond,Ind. L2, M13..5.40
Hartford,Conn. R2 ....5.90
Harvey,Ill. B5 ....5.40
LosAngeles R2, 830 ....6.85
Mansfield,Mass. B5 ....5.95
Massillon,O. R2, R8 ....5.40
Midland,Pa. C18 ....5.40
Monaca,Pa. S17 ....5.40
Newark,N.J. W18 ....5.85
NewCastle,Pa.(17) B4 ..5.40
Pittsburgh J5 ....5.40
Plymouth,Mich. P5 ....5.85
Putnam,Conn. W18 ....5.95
Readville,Mass. C14 ....5.95
So.Chicago,Ill. W14 ....5.40
SpringCity,Pa. K3 ....5.85
Struthers,O. Y1 ....5.40
Waukegan,Ill. A7 ....5.40
Worcester,Mass. W19 ...5.85
Youngstown F3, Y1 ....5.40

BARS, Cold-Finished Carbon (Turned and Ground)

Cumberland,Md.(5) C19..4.65

BARS, Cold-Finished Alloy

Ambridge,Pa. W18 ....6.625
BeaverFalls,Pa. M12,R2 6.625
Bethlehem,Pa. B2 ....6.625
Buffalo B5 ....6.625
Camden,N.J. P13 ....6.80
Canton,O. T7 ....6.625
Carnegie,Pa. C12 ....6.625
Chicago W18 ....6.625
Cleveland A7, C20 ....6.625
Detroit R7 ....6.625
Detroit B5, P17 ....6.825
Donora,Pa. A7 ....6.625
Elyria,O. W8 ....6.625
Gary,Ind. R2 ....6.625
GreenBay,Wis. F7 ....6.625
Hammond,Ind. L2, M13..6.625
Hartford,Conn. R2 ....6.925
Harvey,Ill. B5 ....6.625
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.625
LosAngeles 830 ....8.30
Mansfield,Mass. B5 ...6.925
Massillon,O. R2, R8 ...6.625
Midland,Pa. C18 ....6.625
Monaca,Pa. S17 ....6.625
Newark,N.J. W18 ....6.80
Plymouth,Mich. P5 ....6.825
So.Chicago W14 ....6.625
SpringCity,Pa. K3 ....6.80
Struthers,O. Y1 ....6.625
Warren,O. C17 ....6.625
Waukegan,Ill. A7 ....6.625
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....6.925
Youngstown F3, Y1 ....6.625

BARS, C.F. Loaded Alloy

Ambridge,Pa. W18 ....7.525
Camden,N.J. P13 ....7.70
Carnegie,Pa. C12 ....7.525
Chicago W18 ....7.525
Cleveland C20 ....7.525
Monaca,Pa. S17 ....7.525
Newark,N.J. W18 ....7.70
SpringCity,Pa. K3 ....7.70
Warren,O. C17 ....7.525

BARS, Reinforcing (To Fabricators)

Ala.City,Ala. R2 ....4.30
Atlanta A11 ....4.50
Birmingham C15 ....4.30
Buffalo R2 ....4.30
Cleveland R2 ....4.30
Emeryville,Calif. J7 ....5.05
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.30
FairlessHills,Pa. U5 ....4.46
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....5.00
Ft.Worth,Tex.(42) T4 ..4.90
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.30
Houston 85 ....4.85

Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 4.20
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ..... 4.30
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ..... 4.55
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..... 4.30
LosAngeles B3 ..... 5.00
Milton,Pa. M18 ..... 4.30
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ..... 4.75
Niles,Calif. P1 ..... 5.00
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ..... 5.00
Pittsburgh J5 ..... 4.30
Portland,Oreg. O4 ..... 5.05
SandSprings,Okla. S5 ..... 4.80
Seattle B3, N14, P23 ..... 5.05
So.Chicago R3 ..... 4.30
So.Duquesne,Pa. U5 ..... 4.30
So.SanFrancisco B3 ..... 5.05
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..... 4.30
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 ..... 4.30
Sterling,Ill. N15 ..... 4.40
Struthers,O. Y1 ..... 4.30
Torrance,Calif. C11 ..... 5.00
Youngstown R2, U5 ..... 4.30

BARS, Reinforcing
(Fabricated; to Consumers)

Johnstown,Pa. ¼-1" B2 ..... 5.70
KansasCity,Kans. S5 ..... 6.50
LosAngeles B3 ..... 5.95
Marion,O. P11 ..... 5.55
Pittsburgh J5, U8 ..... 5.72
Seattle B3, N14, P23 ..... 6.15
So.SanFrancisco B3 ..... 6.00
SparrowsPt. ¼-1" B2 ..... 5.70
Williamsport,Pa. S19 ..... 5.60

RAIL STEEL BARS

Avis,Pa.(3) J8 ..... 4.25
ChicagoHts.(3) C2, I-2 ..... 4.20
ChicagoHts.(4) C2, I-2 ..... 4.30
Ft.Worth,Tex.(26) T4 ..... 4.75
Franklin,Pa.(3) F5 ..... 4.20
Franklin,Pa.(4) F5 ..... 4.30
Marion,O.(3) P11 ..... 4.20
Moline,Ill.(3) R2 ..... 4.30
Tonawanda(3) B12 ..... 4.15
Tonawanda(4) B12 ..... 4.30
Williamsport,Pa.(3) S19 4.30

BARS, Wrought Iron

Economy,Pa.(S.R.) B14 10.85
Economy,Pa.(D.R.) B14 13.50
Economy(Staybolt) B14 13.50
McK.Rks(S.R.) L5 ..... 10.85
McK.Rks.(D.R.) L5 ..... 14.75
McK.Rks.(Staybolt) L5 16.25

SHEETS

SHEETS, Hot-Rolled Steel
(18 Gage and Heavier)

Ala.City,Ala. R2 ..... 4.05
Allenport,Pa. P7 ..... 4.05
Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ..... 4.05
Cleveland J5, R2 ..... 4.05
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..... 4.10
Detroit(8) M1 ..... 4.15
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ..... 4.15
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ..... 4.05
FairlessHills,Pa. U5 ..... 4.10
Fontana,Calif. K1 ..... 4.825
Gary,Ind. U5 ..... 4.05
Geneva,Utah C11 ..... 4.15
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ..... 4.25
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 4.05
Irvin,Pa. U5 ..... 4.05
Kokomo,Ind. C16 ..... 4.15
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..... 4.05
Mansfield,O. E6 (37) 4.05
Mansfield,O. E6 (38) 4.80
Munhall,Pa. U5 ..... 4.05
Newport,Ky. N9 ..... 4.05
Niles,O. N12 ..... 4.05
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ..... 4.75
Pittsburgh J5 ..... 4.05
Portsmouth,O. P12 ..... 4.05
Riverdale,Ill. A1 ..... 4.05
Sharon,Pa. S3 ..... 4.05
So.Chicago,Ill. W14 ..... 4.05
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..... 4.05
Steubenville,O. W10 ..... 4.05
Warren,O. R2 ..... 4.05
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ..... 4.05
Youngstown U5, Y1 ..... 4.05

SHEETS, H.R. (19 Ga. & lighter)

Ala.City,Ala. R2 ..... 5.35
Kokomo,Ind. C16 ..... 5.20
Niles,O. N12 ..... 4.95

SHEETS, H.R. Alloy

Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ..... 5.80
Youngstown Y1 ..... 5.80

SHEETS, H.R. (14 Ga. & heavier)
High-Strength Low-Alloy

Cleveland J5, R2 ..... 6.10
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..... 6.15
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ..... 6.20
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ..... 6.10
FairlessHills,Pa. U5 ..... 6.15
Fontana,Calif. K1 ..... 6.875
Gary,Ind. U5 ..... 6.10
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 6.10
Irvin,Pa. U5 ..... 6.10
Lackawanna(35) B2 ..... 6.10
Munhall,Pa. U5 ..... 6.10
Pittsburgh J5 ..... 6.10
Sharon Pa. S3 ..... 6.10
So.Chicago,Ill. U5 ..... 6.10
SparrowsPoint(36) B2 ..... 6.10
Warren,O. R2 ..... 6.10
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ..... 6.10
Youngstown U5, Y1 ..... 6.10

SHEETS, Hot-Rolled Ingot Iron
(18 Gage and Heavier)

Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ..... 4.30
Cleveland R2 ..... 4.65
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ..... 4.30
Warren,O. R2 ..... 4.65

SHEETS, Cold-Rolled Steel
(Commercial Quality)

Allenport,Pa. P7 ..... 4.95
Cleveland J5, R2 ..... 4.95
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..... 5.00
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ..... 5.05
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ..... 4.95
FairlessHills,Pa. U5 ..... 5.00
Follansbee,W.Va. F4 ..... 4.95
Fontana,Calif. K1 ..... 6.05
Gary,Ind. U5 ..... 4.95
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ..... 5.15
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1 4.95
Irvin,Pa. U5 ..... 4.95
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..... 4.95
Middletown,O. A10 ..... 4.95
Newport,Ky. N9 ..... 4.95
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ..... 5.90
Pittsburgh J5 ..... 4.95
Portsmouth,O. P12 ..... 4.95
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..... 4.95
Warren,O. R2 ..... 4.95
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ..... 4.95
Youngstown Y1 ..... 4.95

SHEETS, Cold-Rolled
High-Strength Low-Alloy

Cleveland J5, R2 ..... 7.50
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ..... 7.60
FairlessHills,Pa. U5 ..... 7.55
Fontana,Calif. K1 ..... 8.55
Gary,Ind. U5 ..... 7.50
IndianaHarbor,Ind. Y1 ..7.50
Irvin,Pa. U5 ..... 7.50
Lackawanna(37) B2 ..... 7.50
Pittsburgh J5 ..... 7.50
SparrowsPoint(38) B2 ..7.50
Warren,O. R2 ..... 7.50
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ..... 7.50
Youngstown Y1 ..... 7.50

SHEETS, Cold-Rolled Ingot Iron

Cleveland R2 ..... 5.55
Middletown,O. A10 ..... 5.45
Warren,O. R2 ..... 5.55

SHEETS, Culvert (14 Ga.)

	Cu Alloy	Cu Fe
Ashland,Ky. A10	6.50	....
Canton,O. R2	6.50	7.10
Fairfield T2	5.70	....
Gary,Ind. U5	5.70	5.95
Ind.Harbor I-2	5.70	5.95
Irvin,Pa. U5	5.70	....
Kokomo,Ind. C16	5.80	....
MartinsFry.,O. W10	5.70	....
Newport,Ky. N9	5.70	5.95
Pitts.,Calif. C11	6.45	....
SparrowsPt. B3	5.70	....

SHEETS, Culvert—Pure Iron

Ashland,Ky. A10 ..... 6.75
Gary,Ind. U5 ..... 5.95
MartinsFerry,O. W10 ..... 5.95

SHEETS, Galvanized Steel
Hot-Dipped

Ala.City,Ala. R2 ..... 5.45‡
Ashland,Ky. A10 ..... 5.45*
Butler,Pa. A10 ..... 5.45†
Canton,O. R2 ..... 5.45‡
Delphos,O. N16 ..... 6.10‡
Dover,O. R1 ..... 5.45‡
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ..... 5.45†
Gary,Ind. U5 ..... 5.45*
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ..... 5.65‡
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ..... 5.46†
Irvin,Pa. U5 ..... 5.45†
Kokomo,Ind. C16 ..... 5.55‡
MartinsFerry,O. W10 ..5.45*
Middletown,O. A10 ..... 5.46†
Newport,Ky. N9 ..... 5.45†
Niles,O. N12 ..... 5.45‡
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ..... 6.20*
SparrowsPt.,Md. B2 ..... 5.45‡
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ..... 5.45*

*Continuous and noncontinuous. †Continuous. ‡Noncontinuous.

SHEETS, Well Casing

Fontana,Calif. K1 ..... 6.325

SHEETS, Galvanized
High-Strength Low-Alloy

Irvin,Pa. U5 ..... 8.20
SparrowsPoint(39) B2 ..8.20

SHEETS, Galvannealed Steel

Canton,O. R2 ..... 5.85
Irvin,Pa. U5 ..... 5.85
Kokomo,Ind. C16 ..... 6.20
Newport,Ky. N9 ..... 5.85
Niles,O. N12 ..... 5.85

SHEETS, Galvanized Ingot Iron

Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ..... 5.70
Canton,O. R2 ..... 6.20

SHEETS, Galvanized
Ingot Iron
(Hot-dipped Continuous)

Ashland,Ky. A10 ..... 5.70
Butler,Pa. A10 ..... 5.70
Middletown,O. A10 ..... 5.70

SHEETS, Electrogalvanized

Cleveland(28) R2 ..... 6.30
Niles,O.(28) R2 ..... 6.30
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ..... 6.15

SHEETS, Aluminum Coated

Butler,Pa. A10 ..... 8.625

SHEETS, Enameling Iron

Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ..... 5.375
Cleveland R2 ..... 5.375
Gary,Ind. U5 ..... 5.375
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ..... 5.575
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2 ..... 5.375
Irvin,Pa. U5 ..... 5.375
Middletown,O. A10 ..... 5.375
Niles,O. N12 ..... 5.375
Youngstown Y1 ..... 5.375

BLUED STOCK, 29 Ga.

Follansbee,W.Va. F4 ..7.375
Follansbee(23) F4 ..... 6.60
Yorkville,O. W10 ..... 7.375

SHEETS, Long Terne Steel
(Commercial Quality)

BeechBottom,W.Va. W10 5.85
Gary,Ind. U5 ..... 5.85
Mansfield,O. E6 ..... 5.85
Middletown,O. A10 ..... 5.85
Niles,O. N12 ..... 5.85
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ..... 5.85

SHEETS, Long Terne, Ingot Iron

Middletown,O. A10 ..... 6.35

Key to Producers

A1 Acme Steel Co.
A2 Alan Wood Steel Co.
A4 Allegheny Ludlum Steel
A5 Alloy Metal Wire Co.
A6 American Shim Steel Co.
A7 American Steel & Wire
A8 Anchor Drawn Steel Co.
A9 Angell Nail & Chaplet
A10 Armco Steel Corp.
A11 Atlantic Steel Co.

B1 Babcock & Wilcox Co.
B2 Bethlehem Steel Co.
B3 Beth. Pac. Coast Steel
B4 Blair Strip Steel Co.
B5 Bliss & Laughlin Inc.
B6 Braeburn Alloy Steel
B9 Brainard Steel Div., Sharon Steel Corp.
B10 E. & G. Brooke, Wickwire Spencer Steel Div., Colo. Fuel & Iron
B11 Buffalo Bolt Co., Div. Buffalo-Eclipse Corp.
B13 Buffalo Steel Corp.
B14 A. M. Byers Co.
B15 J. Bishop & Co.

C1 Calstrip Steel Corp.
C3 Calumet Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.
C4 Carpenter Steel Co.
C5 Central Iron & Steel Div. Barium Steel Corp.
C7 Cleve. Cold Rolling Mills
C8 Cold Metal Products Co.
C9 Colonial Steel Co.
C10 Colorado Fuel & Iron
C11 Columbia-Geneva Steel
C12 Columbia Steel & Shaft.
C13 Columbia Tool Steel Co.
C14 Compressed Steel Shaft.
C15 Connors Steel Div. H. K. Porter Co. Inc.
C16 Continental Steel Corp.
C17 Copperweld Steel Co.
C18 Crucible Steel Co.
C19 Cumberland Steel Co.
C20 Cuyahoga Steel & Wire
C22 Claymont Steel Products Dept. Wickwire Spencer Steel Division
C23 Charter Wire Inc.
C24 G. O. Carlson Inc.
C31 Chester Blast Furnace Inc.

D2 Detroit Steel Corp.
D3 Detroit Tube & Steel
D4 Disston & Sons, Henry
D6 Driver Harris Co.
D7 Dickson Weatherproof Nail Co.
D8 Damascus Tube Co.
D9 Wilbur B. Driver Co.

E1 Eastern Gas & Fuel Assoc.
E2 Eastern Stainless Steel
E4 Electro Metallurgical Co.
E5 Elliott Bros. Steel Co.
E6 Empire Steel Corp.

F2 Firth Sterling Inc.
F3 Fitzsimons Steel Co.
F4 Follansbee Steel Corp.
F5 Franklin Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.
F6 Fretz-Moon Tube Co.
F7 Ft. Howard Steel & Wire
F8 Ft. Wayne Metals Inc.

G2 Globe Iron Co.
G4 Granite City Steel Co.
G5 Great Lakes Steel Corp.
G6 Greer Steel Co.

H1 Hanna Furnace Corp.
H7 Helical Tube Co.

I-1 Igoe Bros. Inc.
I-2 Inland Steel Co.
I-3 Interlake Iron Corp.
I-4 Ingersoll Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.
I-6 Ivins, E., Steel Tube
I-7 Indiana Steel & Wire Co.

J1 Jackson Iron & Steel Co.
J3 Jessop Steel Co.
J4 Johnson Steel & Wire Co.
J5 Jones & Laughlin Steel
J6 Joslyn Mfg. & Supply
J7 Judson Steel Corp.
J8 Jersey Shore Steel Co.

K1 Kaiser Steel Corp.
K2 Keokuk Electro-Metals
K3 Keystone Drawn Steel
K4 Keystone Steel & Wire
K7 Kenmore Metals Corp.

L1 Laclede Steel Co.
L2 LaSalle Steel Co.
L3 Latrobe Steel Co.
L5 Lockhart Iron & Steel
L6 Lone Star Steel Co.
L7 Lukens Steel Co.

M1 McLouth Steel Corp.
M4 Mahoning Valley Steel
M6 Mercer Pipe Div., Sawhill Tubular Products
M8 Mid-States Steel & Wire
M12 Molitrup Steel Products
M13 Monarch Steel Div., Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.
M14 McInnes Steel Co.
M16 Md. Fine & Special. Wire
M17 Metal Forming Corp.
M18 Milton Steel Prod. Div., Merritt-Chapman & Scott

N1 National-Standard Co.
N2 National Supply Co.
N3 National Tube Div.
N5 Nelsen Steel & Wire Co.
N6 NewEng.High Carb. Wire
N8 Newman-Crosby Steel
N9 Newport Steel Corp.
N12 Niles Rolling Mill Div.
N14 Nrthwst.Steel Roll. Mills
N15 Northwestern S.&W. Co.
N16 New Delphos Mfg. Co.
N19 Northeastern Steel Corp.

O3 Oliver Iron & Steel Corp.
O4 Oregon Steel Mills

P1 Pacific States Steel Corp.
P2 Pacific Tube Co.
P4 Phoenix Iron & Steel Co.
P5 Pilgrim Drawn Steel
P6 Pittsburgh Coke & Chem.
P7 Pittsburgh Steel Co.
P11 Pollak Steel Co.
P12 Portsmouth Division Detroit Steel Corp.
P13 Precision Drawn Steel
P14 Pitts. Screw & Bolt Co.
P15 Pittsburgh Metallurgical
P16 Page Steel & Wire Div., Amer. Chain & Cable
P17 Plymouth Steel Co.
P19 Pitts. Rolling Mills
P20 Prod. Steel Strip Corp.
P23 Pacific Steel Rolling

R1 Reeves Steel & Mfg. Co.
R3 Republic Steel Corp.
R3 Rhode Island Steel Corp.
R5 Roebling's Sons, John A.
R6 Rome Strip Steel Co.
R7 Rotary Electric Steel Co.
R8 RelianceDiv.,Eaton Mfg.
R9 Rome Mfg. Co.
R10 Rodney Metals Inc.

S1 Seneca Wire & Mfg. Co.
S3 Sharon Steel Corp.
S4 Sharon Tube Co.
S5 Sheffield Steel Div., Armco Steel Corp.
S6 Shenango Furnace Co.
S7 Simmons Co.
S8 Simonds Saw & Steel Co.
S12 Spencer Wire Corp.
S13 Standard Forgings Corp.
S14 Standard Tube Co.
S15 Stanley Works
S17 Superior Drawn Steel Co.
S18 Superior Steel Corp.
S19 Sweet's Steel Co.
S20 Southern States Steel
S23 Superior Tube Co.
S25 Stainless Welded Products
S26 Specialty Wire Co. Inc.
S30 Sierra Drawn Steel Corp.

T2 Tenn. Coal & Iron Div.
T3 Tenn. Prod. & Chem.
T4 Texas Steel Co.
T5 Thomas Strip Division, Pittsburgh Steel Co.
T6 Thompson Wire Co.
T7 Timken Roller Bearing
T9 Tonawanda Iron Div. Am. Rad. & Stan. San.
T13 Tube Methods Inc.

U4 Universal-Cyclops Steel
U5 United States Steel Corp.
U6 U. S. Pipe & Foundry
U7 Ulbrich Stainless Steels
U8 U. S. Steel Supply Div.

V2 Vanadium-Alloys Steel
V3 Vulcan Crucible Steel Co.

W1 Wallace Barnes Co.
W2 Wallingford Steel Co.
W3 Washburn Wire Co.
W4 Washington Steel Corp.
W6 Weirton Steel Co.
W7 W.Va. Steel & Mfg. Co.
W8 West.Auto.Mach.Screw
W9 Wheatland Tube Co.
W10 Wheeling Steel Corp.
W12 Wickwire Spencer Steel Div., Colo. Fuel & Iron
W13 Wilson Steel & Wire Co.
W14 Wisconsin Steel Div., International Harvester
W15 Woodward Iron Co.
W18 Wyckoff Steel Co.
W19 Worcester Pressed Steel

Y1 Youngstown Sheet & Tube

STRIP

STRIP, Hot-Rolled Carbon

Ala.City, Ala.(27) R2 ...4.05
Allenport,Pa. P7 ....4.05
Alton,Ill. L1 ....4.225
Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ....4.05
Atlanta A11 ....4.35
Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....4.05
Birmingham C15 ....4.05
Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ..4.35
Buffalo(27) R2 ....4.05
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..4.10
Detroit M1 ....4.15
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....4.15
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....4.05
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....4.825
Gary,Ind. U5 ....4.05
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1.4.05
Johnstown,Pa.(25) B2 ..4.05
Lackaw'na,N.Y.(25) B2.4.05
LosAngeles(25) B8 ....4.80
Milton,Pa. M18 ....4.05
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....5.15
N.Tonawanda,N.Y. B11..4.05
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....4.80
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....4.05
Riverdale,Ill. A1 ....4.05
SanFrancisco S7 ....5.00
Seattle(25) B3, P23 ....5.05
Seattle N14 ....5.05
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....4.05
So.Chicago,Ill. W14 ....4.05
So.SanFrancisco(25) B3.4.80
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..4.05
Sterling(1) N15 ....4.05
Sterling,Ill. N15 ....4.15
Torrance,Calif. C11 ....4.80
Warren,O. R2 ....4.05
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....4.05
Youngstown U5 ....4.05

STRIP, Hot-Rolled Alloy

Bridgeport,Conn. N19 ...7.00
Carnegie,Pa. S18 ....6.70
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....8.10
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.70
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....6.70
LosAngeles B3 ....7.90
Newport,Ky. N9 ....6.70
Seattle P23 ....7.80
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....6.70
So.Chicago W14 ....6.70
Youngstown U5, Y1 ....6.70

STRIP, Hot-Rolled High-Strength Low-Alloy

Bessemer,Ala. T2 ....6.15
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..6.15
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....6.25
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....6.15
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....7.25
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.15
Houston S5 ....6.40
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1.6.15
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ....6.40
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..6.15
LosAngeles(25) B3 ....6.90
Seattle(25) B3, P23 ....7.15
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....6.15
So.SanFrancisco(25) B3.6.90
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..6.15
Warren,O. R2 ....6.15
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....6.15
Youngstown U5, Y1 ....6.15

STRIP, Hot-Rolled Ingot Iron

Ashland,Ky.(8) A10 ....4.30
Warren,O. R2 ....4.65

STRIP, Cold-Rolled Carbon

Anderson,Ind. G6 ....5.75
Baltimore T6 ....5.75
Boston T6 ....6.30
Cleveland A7, J5 ....5.75
Conshohocken,Pa. A3 ..5.80
Dearborn,Mich. D3 ....5.85
Detroit D2, M1, P26 ....5.85
Dover,O. G6 ....5.75
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....5.85
Follansbee,W.Va. F4 ..5.75
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....7.50
Franklin Park,Ill. T6 ....5.85
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-3 ....5.85
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....5.75
Indianapolis C8 ....5.90
LosAngeles C1 ....7.80
Middletown,O. A10 ....5.75
NewBedford,Mass. R10..6.20
NewBritain(10) S15 ....5.75
NewCastle,Pa. B4, E5 ..5.75
NewHaven,Conn. A7 ....6.50
NewHaven,Conn. D2 ....6.20
NewKensington,Pa. A6 ..5.75
Pawtucket,R.I. R3 ....6.40
Pawtucket,R.I. N8 ....6.30
Pittsburgh J5 ....5.75
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....5.75
Riverdale,Ill. A1 ....5.85
Rome,N.Y.(32) R6 ....5.75
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....5.75
SparrowsPt.,Md. B2 ....5.75
Trenton,N.J.(31) R5 ...7.30
Wallingford,Conn. W2 ..6.20
Warren,O. B9, R2, T5..5.76
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....5.75
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....6.60
Youngstown C8, Y1 ....5.75

STRIP, Cold-Rolled Alloy

Boston T6 ....12.80
Carnegie,Pa. S18 ....12.45
Cleveland A7 ....12.45
Dover,O. G6 ....12.45
Fontana,Calif. K1 ....14.35
FranklinPark,Ill. T6 ..12.45
Harrison,N.J. C18 ....12.45
Pawtucket,R.I. N8 ....12.80
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....12.45
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....12.75
Youngstown C8 ....12.90

STRIP, Cold-Rolled High-Strength Low-Alloy

Cleveland A7, J5 ....5.60
Dearborn,Mich. D3 ....5.70
Dover,O. G6 ....5.60
Ecorse,Mich. G5 ....5.70
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....5.60
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2 ..5.425

STRIP, Cold-Finished Spring Steel (Annealed)	0.26-0.40C	0.41-0.60C	0.61-0.80C	0.81-1.05C	1.06-1.35C
Baltimore T6	5.75	8.35	9.30	11.45	14.15
Boston T6	6.30	8.35	9.30	11.45	14.15
Bristol,Conn. W1	...	...	9.30	11.45	....
Carnegie,Pa. S18	....	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
Cleveland A7	5.75	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
Cleveland C7	....	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
Dearborn,Mich. D3	5.85	8.25	9.20	....	....
Detroit D2	5.85	8.25	9.20	10.95	....
Dover,O. G6	5.85	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
FranklinPark,Ill. T6	5.85	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
Harrison,N.J. C18	....	....	9.30	11.45	14.15
Indianapolis C8	6.00	8.20	9.00	11.15	13.85
NewBritain,Conn.(10) S15	5.75	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
NewCastle,Pa. B4	5.75	8.05	9.00	11.15	....
NewCastle,Pa. S18	5.75	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
NewHaven,Conn. D2	6.20	8.25	9.30	11.25	....
NewKensington,Pa. A6	5.75	8.05	9.00	11.15	....
NewYork W3	....	8.35	9.30	11.45	14.15
Pawtucket,R.I. N8	6.00	8.25	9.30	11.45	14.15
Riverdale,Ill. A1	5.85	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
Rome,N.Y.(32) R6	5.75	8.05	9.00	10.95	13.25
Sharon,Pa. S3	5.75	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
Trenton,N.J. R5	....	....	9.30	11.45	14.15
Wallingford,Conn. W2	6.20	8.35	9.30	11.45	14.15
Warren,O. T5	5.75	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
Weirton,W.Va. W6	5.75	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
Worcester,Mass. A7, T6..	6.60	8.35	9.30	11.45	14.15
Youngstown C8	5.85	8.05	9.00	11.15	13.85
Spring Steel (Tempered)					
Bristol,Conn. W1	...	...	12.90	15.60	....
Buffalo W12	...	...	12.90	....	....
FranklinPark,Ill. T6	...	...	13.40	16.10	19.50
Harrison,N.J. C18	...	...	12.90	15.60	19.00
NewYork W3	...	...	12.90	15.60	19.00
Trenton,N.J. R5	...	...	12.90	15.60	19.00
Worcester,Mass. A7, T6..	...	...	12.90	15.60	19.00
Worcester,Mass. W12	...	...	12.90	....	....
Youngstown C8	...	...	13.25	16.95	19.35

SILICON STEEL

H.R. SHEETS (22 Ga., cut lengths)	Field	Armature		Electric Motor		Dynamo
BeechBottom,W.Va. W10	....	....	....	9.10	10.10	11.00
Brackenridge,Pa. A4	....	....	....	9.10	10.10	11.00
Mansfield,O. E6	8.025	8.50		9.10	10.10	11.00
Newport,Ky. N9	8.025	8.50		9.10	10.10	11.00
Niles,O. N12	8.025	8.50		9.10	10.10	....
Vandergrift,Pa. U5	....	8.50		9.10	10.10	11.00
Warren,O. R2	8.025	8.50		9.10	10.10	11.00
Zanesville,O. A10	....	8.50		9.10	10.10	11.00

C.R. COILS & CUT LENGTHS, (22 Ga.) Fully Processed (Semiprocessed ½c lower)	Field	Armature		Electric Motor		Dynamo
Brackenridge,Pa. A4	....	....	....	9.85	10.85	11.75
GraniteCity,Ill. G4	8.425	8.95*		9.55*	10.55*	....
IndianaHarbor,Ind. I-2	8.225	8.75*		9.35*	....	....
Vandergrift,Pa. U5	....	9.25†	9.85†	10.85†	11.75†	
Vandergrift,Pa. U5	8.225*	8.75*	9.35*	10.35*	11.25*	
Warren,O. R2	8.225†	9.25		9.85	10.85	11.75
Zanesville,O. A10	....	9.25		9.85	10.85	11.75

H.R. SHEETS (32 Ga., cut lengths)	Transformer Grade T-72	T-65	T-58	T-52
BeechBottom,W.Va. W10	11.95	12.50	13.60	14.00
Brackenridge,Pa. A4	11.95	....	....	....
Newport,Ky. N9	11.95	....	....	....
Vandergrift,Pa. U5	11.95	12.50	13.60	14.00
Zanesville,O. A10	11.95‡	12.50‡	13.00‡	14.00‡

C.R. COILS & CUT LENGTHS (22 Ga.)	Grain Oriented T-100	T-90	T-80	T-73	T-72
Brackenridge,Pa. A4	....	15.00	16.60	17.10	....
Butler,Pa. A10	....	....	16.60	17.10	....
Vandergrift,Pa. U5	14.00	15.60	16.60	17.10	12.70‡
Warren,O. R2	....	....	....	....	12.70‡

* Semiprocessed. † Fully processed only. ‡ Coils annealed; semiprocessed ½c lower. ‖ Coils, ¾-cent higher.

Strip, Galvanized (Continuous)

Sharon,Pa. S3 ....6.15
Warren,O. B9 ....6.15

TIGHT COOPERAGE HOOP

Atlanta A11 ....4.775
Riverdale,Ill. A1 ....4.625
Sharon,Pa. S3 ....4.475
Youngstown U5 ....4.475

STRIP, Cold-Rolled Ingot Iron

Warren,O. R3 ....6.35

STRIP, Electrogalvanized

Cleveland A7 ....5.75*
Dover,O. G6 ....5.75*
Riverdale,Ill. A1 ....5.85*
Youngstown C8 ....5.75*
Warren,O. B9, T5 ....5.75*
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....5.75*
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....6.60*

*Plus galvanizing extras.

TIN MILL PRODUCTS

TIN PLATE Electrolytic (Base Box)	0.25 lb	0.50 lb	0.75 lb
Aliquippa,Pa. J5	$7.50	$7.75	$8.15
Fairfield,Ala. T2	7.60	7.85	8.25
FairlessHills,Pa. U5	7.60	7.85	8.25
Gary,Ind. U5	7.50	7.75	8.15
GraniteCity,Ill. G4	7.60	7.85	8.25
IndianaHarbor,Ind. I-2, Y1	7.50	7.75	8.15
Irvin,Pa. U5	7.50	7.75	8.15
Niles,O. R2	7.50	7.75	8.15
Pittsburg,Calif. C11	8.25	8.50	8.90
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2	7.60	7.85	8.25
Weirton,W.Va. W6	7.50	7.75	8.15
Yorkville,O. W10	7.50	7.75	8.15

ELECTROTIN (22-27 Gage; Dollars per 100 lb)			
Aliquippa,Pa. J5	6.175	....	....
Niles,O. R2	6.175	6.375	6.575

TINPLATE,American Coke (Base Box)	1.25 lb	1.50 lb
Aliquippa,Pa. J5	$8.80	$9.05
Fairfield,Ala. T2	8.90	9.15
Fairless,Pa. U5	8.90	9.15
Gary,Ind. U5	8.80	9.05
Ind.Har, I-2 Y1..	8.80	9.05
Irvin,Pa. U5	8.80	9.05
Pitts.Cal. C11	9.55	9.80
Sp.Pt.,Md. B2	8.90	9.15
Warren,O. R2	8.80	9.05
Weirton,W.Va. W6	8.80	9.05
Yorkville,O. W10	8.80	9.05

BLACK PLATE (Base Box)

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....$6.60
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....6.70
FairlessHills,Pa. U5 ....6.70
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.60
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ....6.70
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1.6.60
Irwin,Pa. U5 ....6.60
Niles,O. R2 ....6.60
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....7.35
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2..6.70
Warren,O. R2 ....6.60
Weirton,W.Va. W6 ....6.60
Yorkville,O. W10 ....6.60

HOLLOWARE ENAMELING Black Plate (29 Gage)

Follansbee,W.Va. F4 ...6.20
Gary,Ind. U5 ....6.20
GraniteCity,Ill. G4 ....6.30
Ind.Harbor,Ind. Y1 ....6.20
Irvin,Pa. U5 ....6.20
Yorkville,O. W10 ....6.20

MANUFACTURING TERNES (Special Coated; Base Box)

Gary,Ind. U5 ....$7.85
Irvin,Pa. U5 ....7.55
Yorkville,O. W10 ....7.85

MANUFACTURING TERNES (Light Coated, 6 lb; Base Box)

Yorkville,O. W10 ....$8.75

ROOFING SHORT TERNES (8 lb Coated)

Gary,Ind. U5 ....9.85

WIRE

WIRE, Manufacturers Bright, Low Carbon

AlabamaCity,Ala. R2 ...5.75
Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....5.75
Alton,Ill. L1 ....5.925
Atlanta A11 ....5.95
Bartonville,Ill. K4 ....5.85
Buffalo W12 ....5.75
Chicago W13 ....5.75
Cleveland A7, C20 ....5.75
Crawfordsville,Ind. M8..5.85
Donora,Pa. A7 ....5.75
Duluth,Minn. A7 ....5.75
Fairfield,Ala. T2 ....5.75
Fostoria,O.(24) S1 ....5.95
Houston S5 ....6.00
Jacksonville,Fla. M8 ....6.27
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....5.75
Joliet,Ill. A7 ....5.75
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ....6.00
Kokomo,Ind. C16 ....5.85
LosAngeles B3 ....6.70
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....6.00
Monessen,Pa. P7 ....5.75
Newark 6-8 ga. I-1 ....6.40
No.Tonawanda B11 ....5.75
Palmer,Mass. W12 ....6.05
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....6.70
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....5.75
Rankin,Pa. A7 ....5.75
So.Chicago,Ill. R2 ....5.75
So.SanFrancisco C10 ..6.70
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..5.85
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15 ....5.75
Sterling,Ill. N15 ....5.85
Struthers,O. Y1 ....5.75
Waukegan,Ill. A7 ....5.75
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....6.05

WIRE, MB Spring, High Carbon

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....7.20
Alton,Ill. L1 ....7.375
Bartonville,Ill. K4 ....7.30
Buffalo W12 ....7.20
Cleveland A7 ....7.20
Donora,Pa. A7 ....7.20
Duluth,Minn. A7 ....7.20
Fostoria,O. S1 ....7.20
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....7.20
LosAngeles B3 ....8.15
Milbury,Mass.(12) N8 ..7.50
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....7.45
Monessen,Pa. P7, P16..7.20
Muncie,Ind. I-7 ....7.40
Palmer,Mass. W12 ....7.50
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....8.15
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....7.20
Roebling,N.J. R5 ....7.50
So.Chicago,Ill. R2 ....7.20
So.SanFrancisco C10 ..8.15
SparrowsPt.,Md. B2 ....7.30
Struthers,O. Y1 ....7.20
Trenton,N.J. A7 ....7.50
Waukegan,Ill. A7 ....7.20
Worcester A7,J4,T6,W12 7.80

WIRE, Upholstery Spring

Aliquippa,Pa. J5 ....6.90
Alton,Ill. L1 ....7.075
Buffalo W12 ....6.90
Cleveland A7 ....6.90
Donora,Pa. A7 ....6.90
Duluth,Minn. A7 ....6.90
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....6.90
KansasCity,Mo. S5 ....7.50
LosAngeles B3 ....7.85
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ....7.075
Monessen,Pa. P7, P16..6.90
NewHaven,Conn. A7 ....7.20
Palmer,Mass. W12 ....7.20
Pittsburg,Calif. C11 ....7.85
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....6.90
Roebling,N.J. R5 ....7.20
So.Chicago,Ill. R2 ....6.90
So.SanFrancisco C10 ....7.85
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2 ..7.00
Struthers,O. Y1 ....6.90
Trenton,N.J. A7 ....7.20
Waukegan,Ill. A7 ....6.90
Worcester,Mass. A7 ....7.20

WIRE, Fine & Weaving(8" Coils)

Alton,Ill. L1 ....11.375
Bartonville,Ill. K4 ....11.30
Buffalo W12 ....11.20
Chicago W13 ....11.20
Cleveland A7 ....11.20
Crawfordsville,Ind. M8..11.30
Fostoria,O. S1 ....11.20
Jacksonville,Fla. M8 ..11.73
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....11.20
Kokomo,Ind. C16 ....11.20
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ...10.95
Monessen,Pa. P16 ....11.20
Muncie,Ind. I-7 ....11.40
Palmer,Mass. W12 ....11.50
Roebling,N.J. R5 ....11.50
So.SanFrancisco C10 ..11.55
Waukegan,Ill. A7 ....11.20
Worcester,Mass. A7,T6..11.50

WIRE, Galv'd ACSR for Cores

Bartonville,Ill. K4 ....9.90
Buffalo W12 ....9.90
Johnstown,Pa. B2 ....9.90
Minnequa,Colo. C10 ...10.025
Monessen,Pa. P16 ....9.90
Muncie,Ind. I-7 ....10.10
Portsmouth,O. P12 ....9.90
Roebling,N.J. R5 ....10.20
SparrowsPt.,Md. B2 ..10.00

ROPE WIRE	(A)
Alton,Ill. L1	9.75
Bartonville,Ill. K4	9.75
Buffalo W12	9.75
Fostoria,O. S1	9.75
Johnstown,Pa. B2	9.75
Monessen,Pa. P7, P16	9.75
Muncie,Ind. I-7	9.95
Palmer,Mass. W12	10.05
Portsmouth,O. P12	9.75
Roebling,N.J. R5	10.05
SparrowsPt. B2	9.85
Struthers,O. Y1	9.75
Worcester J4, T6	9.65

(A) Plow and Mild Plow; add 0.25c for Improved Plow.

WIRE

(Continued)

WIRE, Tire Bead

Alton,Ill. L1	13.25
Bartonville,Ill. K4	13.25
Monessen,Pa. P16	13.15
Portsmouth,O. P12	13.15
Roebling,N.J. R5	13.45

WIRE, Cold-Rolled Flat

Anderson,Ind. G6	7.95
Baltimore T6	8.25
Buffalo W12	7.95
Cleveland A7	7.95
Crawfordsville,Ind. M8	8.05
Dover,O. G6	7.95
Fostoria,O. S1	7.95
FranklinPark,Ill. T6	8.05
Kokomo,Ind. C16	8.05
Massillon,O. R8	7.95
Milwaukee C23	8.15
Monessen,Pa. P7 P16	7.95
Pawtucket,R.I. N8	8.25
Rome,N.Y.(32); R6	7.95
Trenton,N.J. R5	8.25
Worcester A7, T6, W12	8.25

WIRE, Merchant Quality (6 to 8 gage)

	An'ld	Galv.
Ala.City,Ala. R2	6.90	7.30**
Aliquippa J5	6.90	7.425‡
Atlanta A11	7.00	7.55
Bartonville(48) K4	7.00	7.55
Buffalo W12	6.90	7.30†
Cleveland A7	6.90	....
Crawfordsville M8	7.00	7.55
Donora,Pa. A7	6.90	7.30†
Duluth,Minn. A7	6.90	7.30†
Fairfield T2	6.90	7.30†
Houston,Tex. S5	7.15	7.55†
Jacks'ville,Fla. M8	7.425	7.95
JohnstownB2(48)	6.90	7.45*
Joliet,Ill. A7	6.90	7.30†
KansasCity,Mo. S5	7.15	7.55†
Kokomo C16	7.00	7.40†
LosAngeles B3	7.85	....
Minnequa C10	7.15	7.55**
Monessen P7 (48)	6.90	7.45
Palmer,Mass. W12	7.20	7.60†
Pitts.,Calif. C11	7.85-8.25	†
Portsmouth,O. P12	6.90	....
Rankin A7	6.90	7.30†
So.Chicago R2	6.90	7.30**
So.S.Fran. C10	7.85	8.25**
SparrwsPt.B2(48)	7.00	7.55*
Sterling(1)(48)N15	6.90	7.45
Struthers,O.(48)Y1	6.90	7.40‡
Worcester,Mass.A7	7.20	....

*Based on 11c zinc; †5c zinc; ‡Less than 10c zinc; **Subject to zinc equalization extras.

WOVEN Fence, 9-15½ Ga.

	Col.
Ala.City,Ala. R2	146**
Ala.City, 17 ga. R2	241**
Ala.City, 18 ga. R2	251**
Aliq'ppa,Pa.9-14½ga.J5	149‡
Atlanta A11	151
Bartonville,Ill. K4	151
Crawfordsville,Ind. M8	151
Donora,Pa. A7	146†
Duluth,Minn. A7	146†
Fairfield,Ala. T2	146†
Houston,Tex. S5	151†
Johnstown,Pa.(43) B2	149
Joliet,Ill. A7	146†
KansasCity,Mo. S5	151†
Kokomo,Ind. C16	148†
Minnequa,Colo. C10	151**
Monessen,Pa. 9 ga. P17	149
Pittsburg,Calif. C11	169†
Rankin,Pa. A7	146†
So.Chicago,Ill. R2	146**
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15	149

†Based on 5c zinc; *11c zinc; ‡10c zinc; **Subject to zinc equalization extras.

BALE TIES, Single Loop

	Col.
AlabamaCity,Ala. R2	155
Atlanta A11	157
Bartonville,Ill. K4	157
Crawfordsville,Ind. M8	157
Donora,Pa. A7	155
Duluth,Minn. A7	155
Fairfield,Ala. T2	155
Joliet,Ill. A7	155
Houston S5	160
KansasCity,Mo. S5	160
Kokomo,Ind. C16	157
Minnequa,Colo. C10	160
Pittsburg,Calif. C11	179
So.Chicago,Ill. R2	155
So.SanFran.,Calif. C10	179
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2	157
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15	155

WIRE, Barbed

	Col.
AlabamaCity,Ala. R2	159**
Aliquippa J5	156‡
Atlanta A11	164
Bartonville,Ill. K4	164
Crawfordsville,Ind. M8	164
Donora,Pa. A7	159†
Duluth,Minn. A7	159†
Fairfield,Ala. T2	159†
Houston,Tex. S5	164†
Johnstown,Pa. B2	162*
Joliet,Ill. A7	159†
KansasCity,Mo. S5	164†
Kokomo,Ind. C16	161†
Minnequa,Colo. C10	164**
Monessen,Pa. P7	162
Pittsburg,Calif. C11	179†
Rankin,Pa. A7	159†
So.Chicago,Ill. R2	155**
So.SanFrancisco C10	179**
SparrowsPoint,Md. B2	164*
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15	162

†Based on 5c zinc; *11c zinc; §10c zinc; **Subject to zinc equalization extras.

WIRE (16 Gage)

	An'ld Stone	Galv. Stone
Ala.City R2	13.15	14.70**
Bartonville K4	13.25	15.10
Buffalo W12	13.15	....
Cleveland A7	13.15	....
Crawfordsville M8	13.25	15.10
Fostoria,O. S1	13.25	14.80†
Johnstown B2	13.15	15.00*
Kokomo C16	13.25	14.80†
Minnequa C10	13.40	15.10**
Palmer,Mas.W12	13.15	14.70†
Pitts.,Calif. C11	13.50	15.05†
So.Chicago R2	13.15	14.70
SparrowsPt, B2	13.25	15.10*
Sterling(1) N15	13.15	15.00
Waukegan A7	13.15	14.70†
Worcester A7	13.45	....

*Based on 11c zinc; †5c zinc; §10c zinc; **Subject to zinc equalization extras.

NAILS, Stock To Dealers & Mfrs. (7)

	Col.
AlabamaCity,Ala. R2	137
Aliquippa,Pa. J5	137
Atlanta A11	139
Bartonville,Ill. K4	139
Chicago,Ill. W13	137
Cleveland A9	142
Crawfordsville,Ind. M8	139
Donora,Pa. A7	137
Duluth,Minn. A7	137
Fairfield,Ala. T2	137
Galveston,Tex. D7	145
Houston,Tex. S5	142
Johnstown,Pa. B2	137
Joliet,Ill. A7	137
KansasCity,Mo. S5	142
Kokomo,Ind. C16	139
Minnequa,Colo. C10	142
Monessen,Pa. P7	137
Pittsburg,Calif. C11	156
Rankin,Pa. A7	137
So.Chicago,Ill. R2	137
SparrowsPt.,Md. B2	139
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15	137
Worcester,Mass. A7	143

NAILS, CUT (100 lb keg) To Dealers (33)

Conshohocken,Pa. A3	$8.30
Wheeling,W.Va. W10	8.30

STAPLES, Polished Stock To Dealers & Mfrs. (7)

	Col.
Aliquippa,Pa. J5	138
Atlanta A11	140
Bartonville,Ill. K4	139
Crawfordsville,Ind. M8	139
Donora,Pa. A7	138
Duluth,Minn. A7	138
Fairfield,Ala. T2	138
Johnstown,Pa. B2	138
Joliet,Ill. A7	138
Kokomo,Ind. C16	139
Minnequa,Colo. C10	142
Monessen,Pa. P7	137
Pittsburg,Calif. C11	157
Rankin,Pa. A7	138
Sparrows Pt.,Md. B2	140
Sterling,Ill.(1) N15	137
Worcester,Mass. A7	144

FENCE POSTS

	Col.
ChicagoHts.,Ill. C2, I-2	150
Duluth,Minn. A7	150
Franklin,Pa. F5	150
Johnstown,Pa. B2	150
Marion,O. P11	150
Minnequa,Colo. C10	155
Moline,Ill. R2	155
So.Chicago,Ill. R2	150
Tonawanda,N.Y. B12	150
Williamsport,Pa. S19	150

BOLTS, NUTS

CARRIAGE, MACHINE BOLTS

(Base discounts, per cent off list, f.o.b. midwestern plants)

4 in. and shorter:	
½-in. & smaller diam	2
Over 4 in. through 6 in.:	
½ in. & smaller diam	+3
6 in. and shorter:	
⅝-in. and ⅝-in.	+4
¾-in. and larger	+6
Longer than 6 in.:	
All diameters	+15
Lag bolts, all diams:	
6 in. and shorter	6
Over 6 in. long	+2
Ribbed Necked Carriage	+4
Blank	10
Plow	23
Step, Elevator, Tap and Sleigh Shoe	10
Tire Bolts	+3
Boiler & Fitting-Up Bolts	21

NUTS

H.P. and C.P., regular & heavy:	
Square, all sizes	55
H.P., Hex, regular & heavy:	
¾" and smaller	55
⅞" to 1¼", inclusive	58
1⅜" to 1½", inclusive	60
1⅝" and larger	55
C.P. Hex regular & heavy:	
All sizes	55
Hot Galv. Nuts (all types):	
¾" or smaller	38
⅞" to 1½", inclusive	41
Finished Hex Nuts:	
New standard, all sizes	55
Semifinished & Slotted Hex:	
Regular and heavy, all sizes	55

SQUARE HEAD SET SCREWS

(1035 steel; packaged; per cent off list)

1 in. diam x 6 in. and shorter	34
1 in. and smaller diam x over 6 in.	20

HEADLESS SET SCREWS

(Packaged; per cent off list)

No. 10 and smaller	34
¼ in. diam & larger	14
N.F. thread, all diams.	8

STEEL STOVE BOLTS

(F.o.b. plant, per cent off list in packages)

Plain finish	43
Plated finishes	23

HEXAGON CAP SCREWS

(1020 steel; packaged; per cent off list)

6 in. or shorter:	
¼-in. through ⅝-in.	38
¾-in. through 1 in.	15
Longer than 6 in.:	
¼-in. through ⅝-in.	20
¾-in. through 1 in.	7

RIVETS

F.o.b. Cleveland, and/or freight equalized with Pittsburgh, f.o.b. Chicago, and/or freight equalized with Birmingham except where equalization is too great.

Structural ½-in., larger 9.25
⅞-in. under...List less 37%

WASHERS, WROUGHT

F.o.b. shipping point, to jobbers ..... List

BOILER TUBES

Net base c.l. prices, dollars per 100 ft, mill; minimum wall thickness, cut lengths 10 to 24 ft, inclusive.

O.D. In.	B.W. Gage	Seamless H.R.	Seamless C.D.	Elec. Weld H.R.
1	13	....	19.59	19.00
1¼	13	....	23.21	18.77
1½	13	21.40	25.65	20.75
1¾	13	25.28	30.31	24.52
2	13	23.33	33.97	27.48
2¼	13	31.91	38.26	30.95
2½	12	34.63	41.52	33.59
2¾	12	38.15	45.74	37.00
2⅞	12	41.31	49.53	40.07
3	12	44.05	52.82	42.72

RAILWAY MATERIALS

	Standard No. 1	Standard No. 2	Standard All	Tee Rails 60 lb Under
RAILS				
Bessemer,Pa. U5	4.45	4.35	4.40	5.35
Ensley,Ala. T2	4.45	4.35	....	5.35
Fairfield,Ala. T2	....	....	....	5.35
Gary,Ind. U5	4.45	4.35	4.40	....
IndianaHarbor,Ind. I-2	4.45	4.35	4.40	....
Johnstown,Pa. B2	....	....	....	(16)5.35
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2	4.45	4.35	....	5.35
Minnequa,Colo. C10	4.45	4.35	....	5.85
Steelton,Pa. B2	4.45	4.35	....	5.35
Williamsport,Pa. S10	....	....	....	5.35

TIE PLATES

Fairfield,Ala. T2	5.275
Gary,Ind. U5	5.275
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2	5.275
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2	5.275
Minnequa,Colo. C10	5.275
Seattle B3	5.425
Steelton,Pa. B2	5.275
Torrance,Calif. C11	5.425

TRACK BOLTS (20) Treated

Cleveland R2	11.50
KansasCity,Mo. S5	11.50
Lebanon,Pa. B2	11.50
Minnequa,Colo. C10	11.50
Pittsburgh O3, P14	11.50
Seattle B3	12.00

AXLES

Ind.Harbor,Ind. S13	6.75
Johnstown,Pa. B2	6.75

JOINT BARS

Bessemer,Pa. U5	5.425
Fairfield,Ala. T2	5.425
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2	5.425
Joliet,Ill. U5	5.425
Lackawanna,N.Y. B2	5.425
Minnequa,Colo. C10	5.425
Steelton,Pa. B2	5.425

SCREW SPIKES

Cleveland R2	11.00

STANDARD TRACK SPIKES

Fairfield,Ala. T2	7.30
Ind.Harbor,Ind. I-2, Y1	7.30
KansasCity,Mo. S5	7.30
Lebanon,Pa. B2	7.30
Minnequa,Colo. C10	7.30
Pittsburgh J5	7.30
Seattle B2	7.80
So.Chicago,Ill. R2	7.30
Struthers,O. Y1	7.30
Youngstown R2	7.30

METAL POWDERS

(Per pound, f.o.b. shipping point in ton lots for minus 100 mesh, except as otherwise noted)

Sponge iron:	Cents
98+% Fe, annealed	15.25
Unannealed:	
Minus 100 mesh	11.75
Minus 35 mesh	9.25
Minus 20 mesh	9.00
Swedish, c.l.f. N.Y., c.l., in bags	11.25
Domestic (Swedish), f.o.b. Riverton, N. J., in bags	9.50
Canadian, f.o.b. shipping point	9.50
Electrolytic iron:	
Melting stock, 99.91% Fe, irregular fragments of ⅛ in. x 1.3 in.	21.00
Annealed, 99.5% Fe	36.50
Unannealed (99+% Fe)	32.50
Unannealed (99+% Fe) (minus 325 mesh)	52.00
Powder Flakes (minus 16, plus 100 mesh)	31.00
Carbonyl Iron:	
97.9-99.8% size 5 to 10 microns	83.00-148.00
Aluminum:	
Atomized, 500 lb drums, frght. allowed:	
Cariots	32.20
Ton lots	34.20
Antimony, 500 lb lots	32.00*
Brass, 5000-lb lots	31.25-39.75†
Bronze, 5000-lb lots	51.50-54.75†
Copper:	
Electrolytic	13.75*
Reduced	13.75*
Lead	7.50*
Manganese:	
Minus 35 mesh	61.00
Minus 100 mesh	67.00
Minus 200 mesh	72.00
Nickel, unannealed	97.00
Nickel-Silver, 5000-lb lots	47.50-51.00
Phosphor-Bronze, ¼-ton lots	58.50
Silicon	43.50
Solder	7.00*
Stainless Steel, 302	94.00
Stainless Steel, 316	$1.25
Tin	14.50*
Zinc, 5000-lb lots	17.25-31.00†
Tungsten	Dollars
Melting grade, 99% 60 to 200 mesh:	
1000 lb and over	4.95
Less than 1000 lb	5.10
Chromium, electrolytic 99.2% Cr min.	3.50

*Plus cost of metal. †Depending on composition. ‡Depending on mesh. §70% Cu, 20% Zn, 10% Ni; **64% Cu, 18% Zn, 18% Ni.

Footnotes

(1) Chicago base.
(2) Angles, flats, bands.
(3) Merchant.
(4) Reinforcing.
(5) 1¼" to 1 7/16"; 1 7/16" to 1 15/16" 4.75c; 1 15/16" to 7 5/16" 5.15c.
(6) Chicago or Birm. base.
(7) To jobbers, 3 cols. lower.
(8) 16 Ga. and heavier.
(9) 6 in. and narrower.
(10) Pittsburgh base.
(11) Cleveland & Pitts. base.
(12) Worcester, Mass., base.
(13) Add 0.25c for 17 Ga. & heavier.
(14) Gage 0.143 to 0.249 in.; for gage 0.142 and lighter, 5.80c.
(15) ⅝" and thinner.
(16) 40 lb and under.
(17) Flats only; 0.25 in. & heavier.
(18) To dealers.
(19) Chicago & Pitts. base.
(20) 0.25 off for untreated.
(21) New Haven, Conn., base.
(22) Del. San Francisco Bay area.
(23) 20 Ga. 36" wide.
(24) Deduct 0.10c, finer than 15 Ga.
(25) Bar mill bands.
(26) Reinforcing mill lengths, to fabricators; to consumers, 4.95c.
(27) Bar mill sizes.
(28) Bonderized.
(29) Youngstown base.
(30) Sheared; for universal mill add 0.45c for carbon, add 0.40c for alloy and 0.35c. H.S. L.A.
(31) Widths over ⅝ in.; 5.40c for widths ⅝ in. and under by 0.125 in. and thinner.
(32) Buffalo base.
(33) To jobbers, deduct 20c.
(34) 9.60c for cut lengths.
(35) 72" and narrower.
(36) 54" and narrower.
(37) 13 Ga. & heavier; 69" & narrower.
(38) 14 Ga. & lighter; 48" & narrower.
(39) 48" and narrower.
(40) Lighter than 0.035"; 0.035" and heavier, 0.25c higher.
(41) 9.10c for cut lengths.
(42) Mill lengths, f.o.b. mill; deld. to mill zone or within switching limits, 5.10c.
(47) 9-14½ Ga.
(48) 8-7 Ga.

SEAMLESS STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Carload discounts from list, %

Size—Inches	2		2½		3		3½		4		5		6	
List Per Ft	37c		55.5c		76.5c		92c		$1.09		$1.48		$1.92	
Pounds Per Ft	3.68		5.82		7.62		9.20		10.89		14.81		19.14	
	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	13.5	+3	17.5	+0.25	20	2.25	21.5	3.75	21.5	3.75	20.75	3	23.25	5.5
Ambridge, Pa. N2	13.5	..	17.5	...	20	...	21.5	...	21.5	...	20.75	...	23.25	...
Lorain, O. N3	13.5	+3	17.5	+0.25	20	2.25	21.5	3.75	21.5	3.75	20.75	3	23.25	5.5
Youngstown Y1	13.5	+3	17.5	+0.25	20	2.25	21.5	3.75	21.5	3.75	20.75	3	23.25	5.5

ELECTRIC WELD STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Carload discounts from list, %

Youngstown R2	13.5	+3	17.5	+0.25	20	2.25	21.5	3.75	21.5	3.75	20.75	3	23.25	5.5

BUTTWELD STANDARD PIPE, Threaded and Coupled

Carload discounts from list, %

Size—Inches	¼		⅜		½		¾		1		1¼	
List Per Ft	5.5c		6c		6c		8.5c		11.5c		17c	
Pounds Per Ft	0.24		0.42		0.57		0.85		1.13		1.68	
	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	...	...	...	...	...	...	23.75	6.5	26.75	10.5	29.25	14
Alton, Ill. L1	...	...	...	...	...	...	21.75	4.5	24.75	8.5	27.25	12
Benwood, W. Va. W10	24	+4.5	15.25	+10.25	7.25	+17.25	23.75	6.5	26.75	10.5	29.25	14
Butler, Pa. P6	25	+3.5	17	+8.5	9.5	+15	....	..	....	...	....	..
Etna, Pa. N2	...	...	...	...	...	...	23.75	6.5	26.75	10.5	29.25	14
Fairless Hills, Pa. N3	...	...	...	...	...	...	21.75	4.5	24.75	8.5	27.25	12
Fontana, Calif. K1	...	...	...	...	...	...	10.75	+6.5	13.75	+2.5	16.25	1
Ind. Harbor, Ind Y1	...	...	...	...	...	...	22.75	5.5	25.75	9.5	28.25	13
Lorain, O. N3	...	...	...	...	...	...	23.75	6.5	26.75	10.5	29.25	14
Sharon, Pa. S4	25	+3.5	17	+8.5	9.5	+15	....	..	....	...	....	..
Sharon, Pa. M6	...	...	...	...	...	...	23.75	6.5	26.75	10.5	29.25	14
Sparrows Pt., Md. B2	23	+5.5	15	+10.5	7.5	+17	21.75	4.5	24.75	8.5	27.25	12
Youngstown R2, Y1	...	...	...	...	...	...	23.75	6.5	26.75	10.5	29.25	14
Wheatland, Pa. W9	23	+5.5	15	+10.5	7.5	+17	23.75	6.5	26.75	10.5	29.25	14

Size—Inches	1½		2		2½		3		3½		4	
List Per Ft	27.5c		37c		55.5c		76.5c		92c		$1.09	
Pounds Per Ft	2.73		3.68		5.82		7.62		9.20		10.89	
	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*	Blk	Galv*
Aliquippa, Pa. J5	32.25	16.25	32.75	16.75	34.25	17	34.25	17	....	...	....	...
Alton, Ill. L1	30.25	14.25	30.75	14.75	32.25	15	32.25	15	....	...	....	...
Benwood, W. Va. W10	32.25	16.25	32.75	16.75	34.25	17	34.25	17	25.5	7.75	25.5	7.75
Etna, Pa. N2	32.25	16.25	32.75	16.75	34.25	17	34.25	17	25.5	7.75	25.5	7.75
Fairless Hills, Pa. N3	30.25	14.25	30.75	14.75	32.25	15	32.25	15	23.5	5.75	23.5	5.75
Fontana, Calif. K1	19.25	3.25	19.75	3.75	21.25	4	21.25	4	12.5	+5.25	12.5	+5.25
Ind. Harbor, Ind. Y1	31.25	15.25	31.75	15.75	33.25	16	33.25	16	24.5	6.75	25.5	6.75
Lorain, O. N3	32.25	16.25	32.75	16.75	34.25	17	34.25	17	....	...	....	...
Sharon, Pa. M6	32.25	16.25	32.75	16.75	34.25	17	34.25	17	....	...	....	...
Sparrows Pt., Md. B2	30.25	14.25	30.75	14.75	32.25	15	32.25	15	23.5	5.75	23.5	5.75
Youngstown R2, Y1	32.25	16.25	32.75	16.75	34.25	17	34.25	17	25.5	7.75	25.5	7.75
Wheatland, Pa. W9	32.25	16.25	32.75	16.75	34.25	17	34.25	17	25.5	7.75	25.5	7.75

*Galvanized pipe discounts based on current price of zinc (11.50c, East St. Louis).

Stainless Steel

Representative prices, cents per pound; subject to current lists of extras

AISI Type	Rerolling Ingots	Rerolling Slabs, Billets	Forging Billets	Seamless Tube Billets	Shapes: H.R. & C.F. Bars; H.R. Strip	Wire	Plates	Sheets	C.R. Strip; Flat Wire
301	16.75	21.00	30.00	34.75	30.25	35.75	37.75	41.75	38.75
302	17.75	23.25	30.25	35.00	32.50	36.00	38.00	42.00	42.00
302B	19.00	25.00	31.00	35.00	35.50	36.00	38.00	45.25	45.25
303	....	25.25	32.75	37.75	....	38.75	40.25	46.00	46.00
304	19.00	24.50	31.75	36.75	35.00	38.00	40.50	44.50	44.50
304L	....	....	34.75	41.75	40.00	43.00	45.50	49.50	49.50
305	20.50	26.50	33.50	37.25	38.00	38.00	41.00	47.50	47.50
308	20.75	27.25	34.25	41.75	39.00	43.00	47.00	49.00	49.00
309	27.75	36.00	44.00	50.50	50.50	51.75	55.00	63.25	63.25
309S	29.75	38.75	48.00	55.75	55.25	56.75	60.25	69.75	69.75
310	35.00	45.25	56.75	68.25	64.75	69.50	71.00	74.25	74.25
314	....	....	....	....	....	....	71.00	....	....
316	29.75	38.00	48.25	56.25	58.00	57.25	60.50	64.50	64.50
316L	....	....	53.25	61.25	60.00	62.25	65.50	69.50	69.50
317	35.00	45.50	59.25	68.75	69.50	70.25	72.75	79.00	79.00
321	23.50	30.25	36.00	41.50	41.75	42.75	46.50	51.25	51.25
330	....	....	61.50	....	....	72.00	73.25	81.25	81.25
18-8CbTa	29.25	35.25	46.00	53.25	53.00	53.75	58.50	66.50	66.50
403	....	....	27.00	30.75	....	32.00	34.25	....	....
405	16.50	21.75	25.25	29.25	30.50	30.25	31.75	39.75	39.75
410	14.00	18.25	24.00	27.25	26.25	28.75	30.00	34.25	34.25
414	....	....	24.50	....	....	29.25	30.50	38.25	35.25
416	....	....	24.50	28.25	....	29.25	....	....	....
420	22.00	28.50	29.25	34.00	35.50	35.00	38.50	52.75	52.75
430	14.25	18.50	24.50	28.25	27.00	29.25	30.50	34.75	34.75
430F	....	....	25.00	28.75	....	29.75	....	....	....
431	15.00	19.25	25.00	28.75	28.00	29.75	....	35.75	35.75
446	....	....	32.50	38.25	50.25	39.50	40.75	59.75	59.75

Stainless Steel Producers Are: Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp.; Alloy Metal Wire Co. Inc.; American Steel & Wire Div., U. S. Steel Corp.; Armco Steel Corp.; Babcock & Wilcox Co.; Bethlehem Steel Co.; J. Bishop & Co.; G. O. Carlson Inc.; Carpenter Steel Co.; Charter Wire Products Co.; Cold Metal Products Co.; Crucible Steel Co. of America; Damascus Tube Co.; Wilbur B. Driver Co.; Driver-Harris Co.; Eastern Stainless Steel Corp.; Ellwood Ivins Steel Tube Works Inc.; Firth Sterling Inc.; Ft. Wayne Metals Inc.; Globe Steel Tubes Co.; Helical Tube Co.; Indiana Steel & Wire Co.; Ingersoll Steel Div., Borg-Warner Corp.; Jessop Steel Co.; Johnson Steel & Wire Co. Inc.; Joslyn Mfg. & Supply Co.; Kenmore Metals Corp.; Maryland Fine & Specialty Wire Co.; McLouth Steel Corp.; Metal Forming Corp.; McInnes Steel Co.; National-Standard Co.; National Tube Div., U. S. Steel Corp.; Newman-Crosby Steel Co.; Pacific Tube Co.; Page Steel & Tube Div., American Chain & Cable Co. Inc.; Pittsburgh Rolling Mills Inc.; Republic Steel Corp.; Rodney Metals Inc.; Rome Mfg. Co.; Rotary Electric Steel Co.; Sharon Steel Corp.; Sawhill Tubular Products Inc.; Simonds Saw & Steel Co.; Specialty Wire Co. Inc.; Spencer Wire Corp.; Stainless Welded Products Inc.; Standard Tube Co.; Superior Steel Corp.; Superior Tube Co.; Timken Roller Bearing Co.; Trent Tube Co.; Tube Methods Inc.; Ulbrich Stainless Steels; United States Steel Corp.; Universal-Cyclops Steel Co.; Wallingford Steel Co.; Washington Steel Corp.

Clad Steel

	Plates, Carbon Base 10%	Plates, Carbon Base 20%	Sheets, Carbon Base 20%
Stainless:			
302	....	....	28.00
304	28.30	33.60	29.75
304-L	30.30	35.50	....
310	41.30	47.00	....
314	33.40	38.80	42.75
316-L	37.80	43.30	....
316-CB	38.90	45.50	....
321	30.00	35.30	34.25
347	32.20	38.60	44.25
405	22.90	31.10	....
410	23.40	30.60	....
430	23.40	30.60	34.25
Inconel	47.90	63.90	....
Nickel	39.50	54.10	....
Monel	40.80	54.80	....
L-Nickel	41.70	58.50	....
Copper*	....	....	48.00

	Strip, Carbon Base: Cold-Rolled 10%	Cold-Rolled Both Sides	Hot-Rolled 10%	Hot-Rolled Both Sides
*Copper**	*26.00*	*32.00*	....	....

*Deoxidized. Production points: Stainless-clad sheets, New Castle, Ind. I-4; stainless-clad plates, Claymont, Del. C22, Coatesville, Pa. L7, New Castle, Ind. I-4 and Washington, Pa. J3; nickel, inconel, monel-clad plates, Coatesville L7; copper-clad strip, Carnegie, Pa. S16.

Tool Steel

Grade	$ per lb	Grade	$ per lb
Regular Carbon	0.26	5% Cr Hot Work	0.405
Extra Carbon	0.31-.315	W-Cr Hot Work	0.425
Special Carbon	0.37	V-Cr Hot Work	0.445
Oil Hardening	0.405	Hi-Carbon-Cr	0.73

Grade by Analysis (%)

W	Cr	V	Co	Mo		$ per lb
20.25	4.25	1.6	12.25	...		4.030
18.25	4.25	1	4.75	...		2.245-2.415
18	4	2	9	...		2.615
18	4	2	....	...		1.705
18	4	1	....	...		1.540
14	4	2	5	...		2.185
13.75	3.75	2	5	...		2.185
13.5	4	3	....	...		1.805
9	3.5	..	....	...		1.115
6	4	2	....	5		1.045
6	4	3	....	6		1.290
1.5	4	1	....	8.5		0.909

Tool steel producers include: A4, A8, B2, B8, C4, C9, C13, C15, D4, F2, J3, L3, M14, S8, U4, V2 and V3.

Pig Iron

F.o.b. furnace prices in dollars per gross ton, as reported to STEEL. Minimum delivered prices are approximate and do not include 3% federal tax.

Birmingham District	Basic	No. 2 Foundry	Malleable	Bessemer
AlabamaCity, Ala. R2	52.38	52.88	....	....
Birmingham R2	52.38	52.88	....	....
Birmingham U6	....	52.88	56.50†	....
Gadsden, Ala. R2	52.38	52.88	....	....
Cincinnati, deld.	....	60.58	....	....
Buffalo District				
Buffalo H1, R2	56.00	56.50	57.00	57.50
Tonawanda, N.Y. W13	56.00	56.50	57.00	....
No. Tonawanda, N.Y. T9	....	56.50	57.00	57.50
Boston, deld.	66.55	67.15	67.65	....
Rochester, N.Y., deld.	59.02	59.52	60.02	....
Syracuse, N.Y., deld.	60.12	60.62	61.12	....
Chicago District				
Chicago I-3	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Chicago R2	56.00	....	56.50	....
Gary, Ind. U5	56.00	....	56.50	....
Indiana Harbor, Ind. I-2	56.00	....	56.50	....
So. Chicago, Ill. W14, Y1	56.00	56.50	56.50	....
So. Chicago, Ill. U5	56.00	....	56.50	57.00
Milwaukee, deld.	58.17	58.67	58.67	59.17
Muskegon, Mich., deld.	....	62.80	62.80	....
Cleveland District				
Cleveland A7, R2	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Akron, O. deld.	58.75	59.25	59.25	59.75
Lorain, O. N3	56.00	....	....	57.00
Mid-Atlantic District				
Bethlehem, Pa. B2	58.00	58.50	59.00	59.50
New York, deld.	....	62.25	62.75	....
Newark, deld.	61.02	61.52	62.02	62.52
Birdsboro, Pa. B10	58.00	58.50	....	....
Chester, Pa. C31	....	48.50	49.00	....
Philadelphia, deld.	....	60.16	60.66	....
Steelton, Pa. B2	58.00	58.50	59.00	59.50
Swedeland, Pa. A3	58.00	58.50	59.00	59.50
Philadelphia, deld.	59.68	60.18	60.68	61.18
Troy, N.Y. R2	58.00	58.50	59.00	59.50
Pittsburgh District				
Neville Island, Pa. P6	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Pittsburgh (N&S sides), Aliquippa, deld.	....	57.87	57.87	58.37
McKeesRocks, deld.	....	57.54	57.54	58.04
Lawrenceville, Homestead, Wilmerding, Monaca, deld.	....	58.16	58.16	58.66
Verona, Trafford, deld.	58.19	58.69	58.69	59.19
Brackenridge, deld.	58.45	58.95	58.95	59.45
Bessemer, Pa. U5	56.00	....	56.50	57.00
Clairton, Rankin, So. Duquesne, Pa. U5	56.00	....	....	....
McKeesport, Pa. N3	56.00	....	....	57.00
Midland, Pa. C18	56.00	....	....	....

Youngstown District	Basic	No. 2 Foundry	Malleable	Bessemer
Hubbard, O. Y1	....	....	56.50	....
Sharpsville, Pa. S6	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Youngstown Y1	....	....	56.50	57.00
Youngstown U5	56.00	....	....	57.00
Mansfield, O. deld.	60.90	....	61.40	61.90
Duluth I-3	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Erie, Pa. I-3	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Everett, Mass. E1	60.50	61.00	61.50	....
Fontana, Calif. Ka	52.00	52.50	....	....
Geneva, Utah C11	56.00	56.50	....	....
GraniteCity, Ill. G4	57.90	58.40	58.90	....
Ironton, Utah C11	56.00	56.50	....	....
LoneStar, Texas L6	52.00	52.50*	52.50	....
Minnequa, Colo. C10	48.00	50.00	50.00	....
Rockwood, Tenn. T2	....	52.50*	54.50	....
Toledo, O. I-3	56.00	56.50	56.50	57.00
Cincinnati, deld.	61.76	62.26	....	....

*Low phos, southern grade. †Phos, 0.30 max.

PIG IRON DIFFERENTIALS

Silicon: Add 50 cents per ton for each 0.25% Si or percentage thereof over base grade, 1.75-2.25%, except on low phos iron on which base is 1.75-2.00%.
Phosphorus: Deduct 38 cents per ton for P content of 0.70% and over.
Manganese: Add 50 cents per ton for each 0.50% manganese over 1% or portion thereof.
Nickel: Under 0.50% no extra; 0.50-0.74%, inclusive, add $2 per ton and each additional 0.25%, add $1 per ton.

BLAST FURNACE SILVERY PIG IRON, Gross Ton

(Base 6.00-6.50% silicon; add $1 for each 0.5% Si; 75 cents for each 0.50% Mn over 1%)

Jackson, O. G2, J1	$55.00
Buffalo H1	66.25

ELECTRIC FURNACE SILVERY PIG IRON, Gross Ton

(Base 14.01-14.50% silicon; add $1 for each 0.50 Si to 18%; $1 for each 0.50% Mn over 1%; $2 per gross ton premium for 0.045% max P)

NiagaraFalls, N.Y. P15	$60.50
Keokuk, Iowa, (Open-hearth & Fdry, freight allowed K2	55.00
Keokuk, O.H. & Fdry, 12½ lb piglets, 16% Si, frgt allowed K2	68.00

LOW PHOSPHORUS PIG IRON, Gross Ton

Cleveland A7 (Intermediate)	$61.00
Lyles, Tenn. T3	70.00
Rockwood, Tenn. T3	70.00
Steelton, Pa. B2	64.00
Philadelphia, deld.	67.56
Troy, N.Y. R2	64.00

Warehouse Steel Products

Representative prices, cents per pound, subject to extras, f.o.b. warehouse. City delivery charges are 20 cents per 100 lb except Birmingham and St. Paul, 15 cents; Philadelphia, New York, Boston and Los Angeles, 10 cents; Buffalo, 25 cents on C.R. and galvanized sheets, C.F. and alloy bars and 20 cents on other commodities; Houston, Seattle, Spokane, Wash., no charge.

	SHEETS				STRIP		BARS			Standard Structural Shapes	PLATES	
	Hot-Rolled	Cold-Rolled	Galv. 10 Ga.†	Stainless Type 302†‡	H.R.*	C.R.*	H.R. Rds.	C.F. Rds.§	H.R. Alloy 4140††‡		Carbon	Floor
Baltimore	6.02	7.51	7.79	....	6.60	...	6.98	8.52[4]	12.54	6.72	6.37	7.76
Birmingham	6.35	7.35	8.25[3]	....	6.60	...	6.50	9.10	....	6.65	6.65	8.45
Boston	7.23	8.23	9.52	45.28[3]	7.47	...	7.20	8.60	12.30	7.49	7.37	8.50
Buffalo	6.35	7.40	8.79	....	6.70	...	6.50	7.40	12.00	6.72	6.65	7.90
Charlotte, N. C.	6.95	7.80	8.69	....	6.90	...	7.10	8.37	....	7.10	7.10	8.37
Chicago	6.38	7.38	8.30	46.05	6.62	...	6.51	7.25	11.75	6.69	6.52	7.64
Cincinnati	6.49	7.37	8.30	46.10	6.86	...	6.75	7.55	12.00	6.86	6.81	7.89
Cleveland	6.38	7.38	8.25	46.16	6.72	...	6.57	7.35	11.81	7.02	6.69	7.81
Detroit	6.57	7.57	8.58	43.50	6.90	7.36	6.79	7.54	11.95	7.16	6.80	7.83
Erie, Pa.	6.35	7.38	8.30	....	6.70	...	6.50	7.45[4]	....	6.69	6.52	7.64
Houston	7.35	7.80	9.93	....	7.70	9.30	7.70	9.50	....	7.60	7.35	8.75
Los Angeles	7.50	9.35	9.95	50.15	7.85	11.75	7.45	10.15	13.15	7.65	7.45	9.55
Milwaukee	6.47	7.47	8.39	....	6.71	...	6.60	7.44	11.84	6.86	6.61	7.73
Moline, Ill.	6.73	7.73	8.65	....	6.97	...	6.86	7.60	....	7.04	6.87	...
New York	6.97	7.91	8.79	44.95	7.56	...	7.37	8.73[4]	12.13	7.38	7.27	8.68
Norfolk, Va.	7.00	...	...	....	7.10	...	7.10	8.60	....	7.10	7.10	7.95
Philadelphia	6.19	7.44	8.26	41.98[3]	6.96	8.80	6.74	7.86[3]	11.96	6.54	6.49	7.51**
Pittsburgh	6.38	7.38	8.30	46.00	6.72	...	6.51	7.35	11.75	6.69	6.52	7.64
Portland, Oreg.	7.00	7.75	8.90	48.50	7.25	...	7.05	10.20	14.00	7.09	6.85	8.75
Richmond, Va.	6.43	7.39	8.67	...	6.77	...	6.71	8.33	....	7.08	6.65	8.08
St. Louis	6.67	7.67	8.59	43.89	6.91	...	6.80	7.64[3]	12.04	7.09	6.81	7.93
St. Paul	7.04	8.04	8.96	....	7.28	...	7.17	8.01	....	7.35	7.18	8.30
San Francisco	7.55	8.95	8.70	51.65	7.80	...	7.35	10.05	13.05	7.50	7.40	9.45
Seattle	8.10	9.80	10.15	51.00	8.20	...	7.80	10.95	13.50	7.75	7.80	9.60
Spokane	8.35	9.65[1]	10.05	....	7.80	...	7.80	10.85‡‡	14.25	7.45	7.55	9.60
Washington	6.70	7.99	7.97	....	7.37	...	7.38	9.09	....	7.31	7.05	8.16

*Prices do not include gage extras; †prices include gage and coating extras, based on 11-cent zinc except in New York, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, San Francisco (11.50-cent zinc) and in Birmingham (coating extra excluded); ‡includes 25-cent special bar quality extras; **¼-in. and heavier; ††as annealed; ‡‡prices include $2 for crating; §§under ½-in.

Base quantities, 2000 to 4999 lb except as noted: Cold-rolled strip and cold-finished bars, 2000 lb and over except in Seattle, 2000 to 9999 lb; stainless sheets, 6000 lb except in New York and Boston, 10,000 lb, and in San Francisco, 2000 to 4999 lb; hot-rolled products on West Coast, 2000 to 9999 lb; [3]—500 to 9999 lb; [4]—4000 lb and over; [5]—1000 to 1999 lb; [6]—1000 lb and over; [7]—1500 to 2999 lb; [9]—2000 to 2999 lb; [1]—f.o.b. local delivery in lots of 10,000 lb and over.

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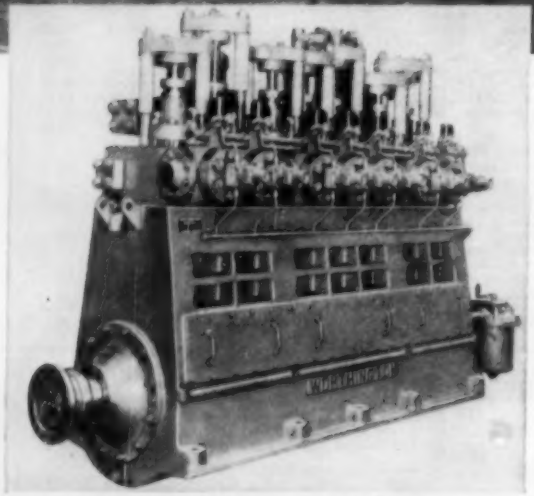

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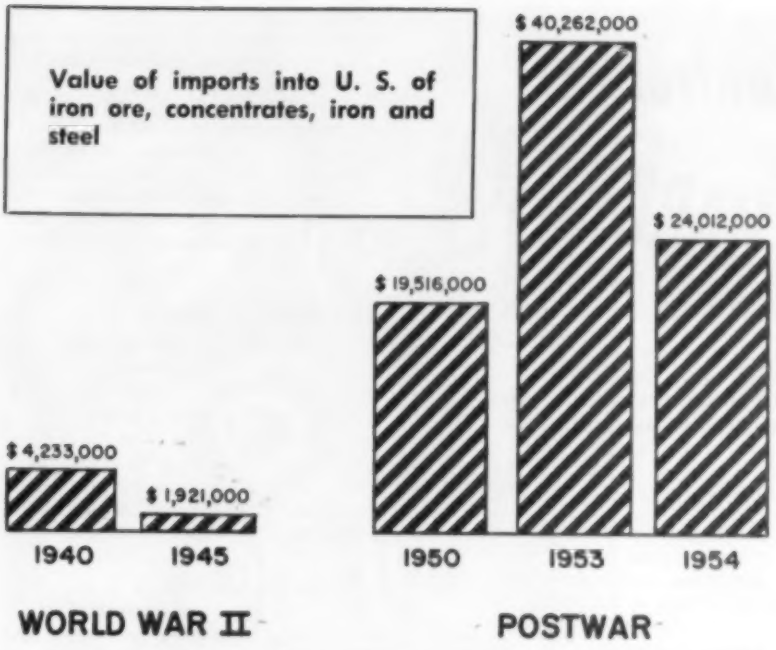

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Swedish Steel Makes Postwar Comeback

SOMETIMES a steel specialty or metal product fails to come all the way back once it becomes temporarily unavailable and reasonably satisfactory substitutes penetrate its markets. Not so with quality Swedish steel and metallics.

If Sweden's steel mills can supply the demands of U. S. consumers this year, their tonnage and dollar sales will equal, may surpass, the peak year of 1953. That year the value of imports, including ore, concentrates, sponge iron, semifinished and cold-finished products, was slightly over $40.3 million.

The "ifs" facing Swedish exporters include the adjustment of labor agreements and European demand. Swedish mills are loaded with orders for European markets, so tonnage available for shipment to the U. S. may be limited.

Comeback—For nearly four years, no Swedish steel was available to America, except moderate stocks accumulated before the U. S. entered World War II. Sweden re-entered the U. S. market in the second half of 1945. By 1947-48, it had regained ground lost and is now selling more steel and metallics here than it did before the war. Pipe, tubes and hot-rolled bars are exceptions. They have not returned to prewar levels.

Like domestic steel production, imports of Swedish steel declined in 1954 because of inventory reduction and lower demand. Yet shipments of concentrates, pig iron, semifinished and finished steel approximated $24 million, compared with $19.5 million in 1950, $1.9 million in 1945. Volume thus far in 1955 is far ahead of that of 1954. On some products it is in excess of 1953's volume.

Small but Mighty — Tonnagewise, Swedish steel requirements are a drop in the bucket when compared with total imports of heavier products or domestic steel production. Their importance lies in critical applications, such as the flapper valve, which is the heart of the mechanism in refrigerators. In many applications, less than 1 lb of Swedish steel is used. From one ton of 0.004-gage strip nearly one million razor blades can be produced. About 750,000 can be made from one ton of 0.006 strip.

Only in rare cases have substitutes replaced Swedish grades. Their volume for new uses has gained. Swedish steel is back for high-quality razor blades, valve spring and piston spring wire, clock and watch springs, camera shutter steel and surgical blade steel. In strip and wire more than 90 per cent is used as specialties, including textile machine parts, band saws, compressor valves, feeler gages, knife blades, textile reed stock, shock absorbing components, trowel steel, needles, a wide range of springs and piston ring segments and expanders.

Built-in Qualities — The bulk of cold-finished specifications are high carbon, up to 0.90 per cent. Properties for numerous applications include high fatigue life, vital especially in springs. High precision and close tolerances are also characteristic.

Iron ore and concentrates have increased sharply, notably concentrates —close to 2.4 million tons may be taken this year compared with 239,250 tons in 1938. The amount of granular and sponge iron imported from Sweden in 1954 exceeded that of the 1953 peak year; sponge iron used in metal powder metallurgy is being imported at the rate of 12,000 tons a year.

Rods Return—Wire rods may total 16,000 tons in 1955. They slumped to 9226 tons in 1954. Wire rods, however, have snapped back to their prewar mark and are on the way up. In 1953, imports of rods were practically identical with those of 1937, or 15,541 tons, but hot-rolled steel bars for cold finishing have not returned to the prewar tonnage level.

The bulk of high-grade, cold-finished Swedish steel specialties is sold through warehouses with four handling the lion's share; most have direct connection with producers; they have sales offices at larger, specialty-steel consuming points. A half dozen importers handle most of the steel at the major port of entry, the Port of New York. Some tonnage comes through Canada. During open-water months, direct shipments are made to Cleveland. A considerable number of specialty warehouses handle one or two lines, notably tool steel.

Direct Delivery—Hot-rolled, semifinished and concentrates including a large part of the wire rod volume are moved direct to consumers in most cases. In an expansion move, one leading Swedish steel warehouse —Sandvik Steel Inc.—is consolidating its four divisions at Fairlawn, N. J.

For most applications, the cost of Swedish steel is somewhat higher than that of domestic steels. Although for most uses, cost is a secondary factor to performance, notably when the metal is used in small volume for vital parts.

When Swedish high-grade, quality steels were blacked out for nearly four years, many metallurgists and steelmakers here believed they had taken over; they made good substitutes, including best quality razor blade stock, and broke down barriers they had been unable to overcome.

But guns had hardly cooled in 1945 before long-time users of Swedish steel were again demanding their old specifications for wire, including flat, rods and cold strip. Within the next

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year or two, most products made a strong comeback. Semifinished and concentrates had surpassed prewar volume. Why?

The Reasons—The Swedes always have made good iron and steel; starting with an advantage of superior ore, their mills are not particularly "tonnage" minded. They operate with closely controlled small heats and follow up with close-tolerance finishing.

Stainless Steel . . .

Stainless Steel Prices, Page 136

Superior Steel Corp., Carnegie, Pa., reports first quarter sales will undoubtedly establish a new record in production of stainless steel. Economic forecasts point to a continued high level of sales. Despite sharp reduction in ordnance requirements, producers expect a profitable year.

Sheets, Strip . . .

Sheet & Strip Prices, Pages 133 & 134

Most producers of cold-rolled and continuous galvanized sheets have no open tonnage available for delivery before the third quarter. Buyers are moving cautiously, not committing themselves too far into the future. Many feel if prices are increased (likely in event steel wages rise) and if there is an automotive strike, supplies of cold-rolled will improve in the third quarter, barring outbreak of war.

While there is slightly less pressure for sheets in the light of extended deliveries, more tonnage still is being offered the mills than they are willing to accept for third quarter. The theory of some makers is that when the time comes they will get their share of going business, obviating the necessity of grabbing all the tonnage offered now, a large part of which may be speculative. In general, the mills are accepting third quarter orders on a month-to-month basis.

Producers are virtually on an unofficial quota system for early second quarter shipments. Consumers, however, are able to fill most of their requirements without going to the warehouses for substantial fill-in tonnage. Specialties, such as silicon, enameling and electrocoated sheets are booked well into midsummer. The same is true of black plate and tin plate. Hot-rolled sheets, however, are not a second quarter sell-out, but they are moving up.

Cold-rolled sheet production of Great Lakes Steel Corp., Detroit, will be increased by at least 50,000 tons monthly when its current expansion and improvement program is completed by end of this year.

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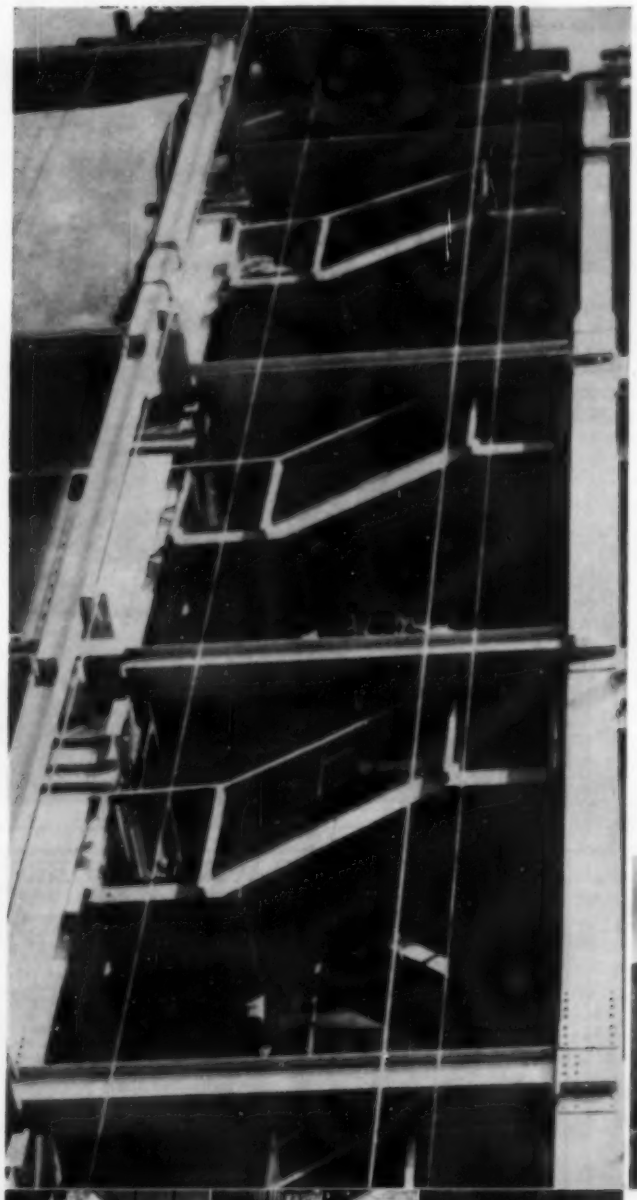

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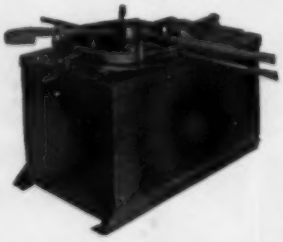

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U. S. Steel Export Co., New York, effective Mar. 28, revised its published price on hot-rolled sheets, 18 gage and heavier. It is quoting $4.42 per 100 lb, freight included to New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Steel Bars . . .

Bar Prices, Page 132

Alloy steel bars are moving in better volume, with large orders reportedly being received from farm equipment producers and warehouses.

The outlook for the second quarter generally is considered promising even though some producers of carbon bars need an extra push in orders to move to the more economical two-shift operation. The order mix is still unbalanced, some makers complain. Certain sizes are booked solidly for one week, fall off the next.

Textile equipment builders are again buying cold-finished carbon bars in New England. For months they had been taking only minimum lots. More carbon and alloy bar mills are filled into May, with forward buying more in evidence. There is less cold-finished bar tonnage available from stock, notably the smaller sizes.

In general, deliveries average five weeks on hot-rolled carbon bars and longer on cold-finished. On the West Coast, fabricators report consumers' orders are holding up, despite lagging defense requirements.

Plates . . .

Plate Prices, Page 132

Some producers of sheared plate are now virtually sold out for second quarter. One mill, however, can still give as early as six weeks delivery and, in universal plates, deliveries can be had within four to six weeks. Demand, though, is expanding rapidly. Improvement is being experienced on both domestic and foreign account. Far more foreign inquiry is being received than is being booked.

Plates are now well up in the front of mill order volume with some producers sold out through June. Selling is in volume comparable with that in flat-rolled and there are indications demand will hold well into third quarter with heavy requirements for large diameter pipe prominent in over-all mill backlogs.

Construction will require larger tonnage in second quarter and a further push on the mills is expected from the warehouses. Improvement in railroad car requirements also is indicated. Oil storage tank demand is spurting, latest sizable award involving 10,850 tons of plates for tanks for the American Oil Co. at Yorktown, Pa. The Chicago Bridge & Iron Co. alone is reported to have booked contracts requiring 45,000 tons of plates.

In general plate buyers are finding it necessary to determine their requirements farther ahead as mill shipments become more extended. This applies particularly to thicknesses of ½-in. and smaller.

Wire . . .

Wire Prices, Pages 134 & 135

Seasonal gains are reflected in rising wire order backlogs at mills. The improvement is general, including both merchant and industrial items. The pickup in business is noticeable at virtually all producing points.

With some additional buying automotive consumers in New England are pressing for shipments of spring wire, including valve stock. Orders for mechanical spring wire are heavier. On high carbon specialties, April schedules are reported filled.

Improvement in finished wire demand generally has extended schedules about two weeks, with improvement noted in manufacturers bright wire, heading and miscellaneous grades. Consumers tend to anticipate needs slightly, and more second quarter volume is on mill books. Rope and fine wire are inclined to lag, but highway guard cable is more active.

The Midwest market has come under heavy pressure the last ten days or so. In addition to a seasonal increase in demand from the building industries and undiminished orders from automakers, furniture manufacturers are showing more interest in their requirements. Deliveries are reported extended to eight weeks.

Tin Plate . . .

Tin Plate Prices, Page 134

New uses continue to be found for heavy gage electrolytic tin plate, reports Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Pittsburgh. Where corrosion is not a great factor, the product is used as a replacement for long ternes, aluminum and zinc-coated sheets. Heavy-gage tin plate is used in automotive and engine parts, as well as building specialties and radio and television parts.

From its facilities at Aliquippa, Pa., J&L is shipping the product in coils 22 to 32 in. wide (as heavy as 22 gage) and cut lengths up to 120 in.

Canmakers are stepping up production schedules seasonally. Some setback in can needs will result from extensive freeze damage to peach and apple crops last week, but growing new uses, notably soft drinks, are expected to offset this.

Tubular Goods . . .

Tubular Goods Prices, Page 136

Seamless and welded tubular goods continue to perk up. Tubemakers hold moderate backlogs at Pittsburgh, and the second quarter outlook is described as promising. Buttweld sales, highly competitive in early first quarter, show marked improvement, with greater demand coming from jobbers and the construction industry. Oil country goods sales continue to rise. Prospects are for near-capacity tube mill operations this month, with sales particularly high in heavy-duty tubes.

At St. Louis, pipe shipments are reported improving in response to jobbers' inventory build-up for the construction season. Mill bookings average six weeks, somewhat more on sizes 1 in. and under.

Cast iron pipe sales agencies in the Pacific Northwest have concluded one of the best quarters in recent years from the standpoint of orders. Demand continues strong, and order volume during the current quarter will be substantial.

Pig Iron . . .

Pig Iron Prices, Page 137

Paced by automotive requirements for castings, midwestern gray iron foundries look forward to good April business. Malleable shops also expect to continue busy. As a result, merchant pig iron producers are assured of another active shipping month. Order books show more tonnage than they did at the start of March.

In the East a slight improvement is noted in iron buying, with some trade interests wondering if the strong upsurge in the steel market isn't finally beginning to be reflected in foundry operations.

Metallurgical Coke . . .

Metallurgical Coke Prices, Page 147

Philadelphia Coke Co. has advanced prices on foundry coke $1 a ton to $24, Philadelphia ovens. Advances by other district producers are expected to follow.

Republic Steel Corp. is planning to close its coke ovens at Troy, N. Y., about May 1. Cost of producing at the ovens is reported excessive. The 31 ovens will be kept in stand-by for possible emergency use. Coke will be shipped to the Troy furnace from other coke producing points.

Current Ferroalloy Quotations

MANGANESE ALLOYS

Spiegeleisen: (19-21% Mn, 1-3% Si), Carlot per gross ton $56, Palmerton, Pa.; $57 Clairton and Duquesne, Pa.
(16 to 19% Mn) $54 per ton, Palmerton, Pa.; $55 per ton, Clairton and Duquesne, Pa.

Standard Ferromanganese: (Mn 74-76%, C 7% approx.). Base price per net ton $190, Clairton, Duquesne, Johnestown and Sheridan, Pa.; Alloy, W. Va.; Ashtabula, Marietta, Philo, O.; Sheffield, Ala.; Portland, Oreg., and Tacoma, Wash. Add or subtract $2.00 for each 1% or fraction thereof of contained manganese over 76% or under 74%, respectively.

(Mn 79-81%) Lump $198 per net ton, f.o.b. Anaconda or Great Falls, Mont. Add $2.60 for each 1% above 81%; subtract $2.60 for each 1% below 76%, fractions in proportion to nearest 0.1%.

Low-Carbon Ferromanganese, Regular Grade: (Mn 85-90%). Carload, lump, bulk, max. 0.07% C, 29.95c per lb of contained Mn, carload packed 30.7c, ton lots 31.8c, less ton 33c. Delivered. Deduct 1.5c for max 0.15% C grade from above prices, 3c for max. 0.30% C, 3.5c for max 0.50% C, and 6.5c for max 75% C—max 7% Si. **Special Grade:** (Mn 90% min, C 0.07% max, P 0.06% max). Add 2.05c to the above prices. Spot, add 0.25c.

Medium-Carbon Ferromanganese: (Mn 80-85%, C 1.5% max). Carload, lump, bulk 21.35c per lb of contained Mn, carload packed 22.1c, ton lot 23.2c, less ton 24.4c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Manganese Metal: 2" x D (Mn 95.5% min, Fe 2% max, Si 1% max, C 0.2% max): Carload, lump, bulk, 45c per lb of metal; packed, 45.75c; ton lot 47.25c; less ton lots 49.25c. Delivered. Spot, add 2c.

Electrolytic Manganese Metal: Min carloads, 36c; 2000 lb to min carloads, 32c; 250 lb to 1999 lb 34c. Premium for hydrogen-removed metal, 0.75c per lb. Prices are f.o.b. cars, Knoxville, Tenn., freight allowed to St. Louis or to any point east of Mississippi; or f.o.b. Marietta, O., freight allowed.

Silicomanganese: (Mn 65-65%). Contract, lump, bulk 1.50% C grade, 18-20% Si, 11.00c per lb of alloy, carload packed 11.75c, ton lots 12.65c, less ton 13.65c. Freight allowed. For 2% C grade, Si 15-17%, deduct 0.2c from above prices. For 3% C grade, Si 12-14.5%, deduct 0.4c from above prices. Spot, add 0.25c.

TITANIUM ALLOYS

Ferrotitanium, Low-Carbon: (Ti 20-25%, Al 3.5% max, Si 4% max, C 0.10% max). Contract, ton lots 2" x D, $1.50 per lb of contained Ti; less ton $1.55. (Ti 35-43%, Al 6% max, Si 4% max, C 0.10% max). Ton lots $1.35, less ton $1.37, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed to St. Louis. Spot, add 5c.

Ferrotitanium, High-Carbon: (Ti 15-18%, C 6-8%). Contract $177 per ton, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed to destinations east of Mississippi river and north of Baltimore and St. Louis.

Ferrotitanium, Medium-Carbon: (Ti 17-21%, C 2-4.5%). Contract $195 per ton, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight not exceeding St. Louis rate allowed.

CHROMIUM ALLOYS

High-Carbon Ferrochrome: .Contract, c.l., lump, bulk 24.75c per lb of contained Cr; c.l. packed 26.65c, ton lot 26.80c, less ton 28.20c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Low-Carbon Ferrochrome: (Cr 67-72%). Contract, carload lump, bulk, C 0.025% max. (Simplex 34.50c per lb contained Cr, 0.03% C 34.50c, 0.04% C 35.50c, 0.06% C 34.50c, 0.10% C 34.00c, 0.15% C 33.75c, 0.20% C 33.50c, 0.50% C 33.25c, 1% C 33.00c, 1.50% C 32.85c, 2% C 32.75c. Carload packed add 1.1c, ton lot add 2.2c, less ton add 3.9c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Foundry Ferrochrome, High-Carbon: (Cr 62-66%, C 5-7%). Contract, c.l. S M x D, bulk, 26.25c per lb contained Cr. Packed, c.l. 27.15c, ton 28.50c, less ton 30.25c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Foundry Ferrochrome, Low-Carbon: (Cr 60-64%, Si 28-32%, C 1.25% max). Contract, carload, packed, S M x D, 18.35c per lb of alloy; ton lot 19.2c; less ton lot, 20.4c, delivered; spot, add 0.25c.

Low-Carbon Ferrochrome Silicon: (Cr 34-41%, Si 42-49%, C 0.05% max). Contract, carload, lump, 4" x down and 2" x down, bulk, 24.75c per lb of contained chromium plus 12c per pound of contained silicon; 1" x down, bulk 24.90c per pound of contained chromium plus 12.2c per pound of contained silicon, f.o.b. plant; freight allowed to destination.

Chromium Metal: (Min 97% Cr and 1% Fe). Contract, 1" x D; packed, max 0.50%, carload $1.16, ton lots $1.18; less ton $1.20. Delivered. Spot, add 5c. Prices on 0.10 per cent carbon grade, add 9c to above prices.

VANADIUM ALLOYS

Ferrovanadium: Open-hearth Grade (V 35-55%, Si 8-12% max, C 2-3.5% max). Contract, any quantity, $3.00 per lb of contained V. Delivered. Spot, add 10c. **Crucible-Special Grades** (V 50-55%, Si 2-3.5% max, C 0.5-1% max) $3.10. **Primes and High Speed Grades** (V 50-55%, Si 1.50% max C 0.20% max) $3.20.

Grainal: Vanadium Grainal No. 1, $1 per lb; No. 6, 68c; No. 79, 50c, freight allowed.

Vanadium Oxide: Contract, less carload lots $1.25 per lb contained V_2O_5, freight allowed. Spot, add 5c.

SILICON ALLOYS

25-30% Ferrosilicon: Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 20.0c per lb of contained Si, packed 21.40c; ton lot 22.50c f.o.b. Niagara Falls, freight not exceeding St. Louis rate allowed.

50% Ferrosilicon: Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 13c per lb of contained Si, carload packed 13.6c, ton lot 15.5c, less ton 16.7c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.45c.

Low-Aluminum 50% Ferrosilicon: (Al 0.40% max). Add 1.7c to 50% ferrosilicon prices.

65% Ferrosilicon: Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 13.5c per pound contained silicon; carload packed 14.85c; ton lots, 16.05c; less ton, 17.4c, delivered. Spot, add 0.35c.

75% Ferrosilicon: Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 14.4c per lb of contained Si, carload packed 15.7c, ton lot 16.85c, less ton 18.1c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.3c.

90% Ferrosilicon: Contract, carload, lump, bulk, 17.25c per lb of contained Si, carload packed 18.45c, ton lot 19.4c, less ton 20.45c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Silicon Metal: (Mn 97% Si and 1% max Fe). C.l. lump, bulk, regular 18.5c per lb of Si, c.l. packed 19.7c, ton lot 20.6c, less ton 21.6c. Add 0.5c for max. 0.10% calcium grade. Deduct 0.5c for max 2% Fe grade analyzing min 96% Si. Spot, add 0.25c.

Alsifer. (Approx. 20% Al, 40% Si, 40% Fe). Contract, basis f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., lump, carload, bulk, 9.25c per lb of alloy, ton lots packed 10.15c, 200 to 1999 lb 10.50c, smaller lots 11c.

ZIRCONIUM ALLOYS

12-15% Zirconium Alloy: (Zr 12-15%, Si 30-43%, Fe 40-45%, C 0.20% max). Contract, c.l. lump, bulk 8.0c per lb of alloy, c.l. packed 8.75c, ton lot 9.5c, less ton 10.35c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

35-40% Zirconium Alloy: (Zr 35-40%, Si 47-52%, Fe 8-12%, C 0.50% max). Contract, carload, lump, packed 25.25c per lb of alloy, ton lot 26c, less ton 27.25c. Freight allowed. Spot, add 0.25c.

BORON ALLOYS

Ferroboron: (B 17.50% min, Si 1.50% max, Al 0.50% max, C 0.50% max). Contract, 100 lb or more 1" x D, $1.30 per lb of alloy. Less than 100 lb $1.50. Delivered, spot add 5c. F.o.b. Washington, Pa., prices, 100 lb and over, are as follows: Grade A (10-14% B) 85c per pound; Grade B (14-18% B) $1.20; Grade C (19% min M) $1.50.

Borosil: (3 to 4% B, 40 to 45% Si), $5.25 per lb contained B, delivered to destination.

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CALCIUM ALLOYS

Calcium-Manganese-Silicon: (Ca 16-20%, Mn 14-18% and Si 53-59%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk 20.0c per lb of alloy, carload packed 20.8c, ton lot 22.3c, less ton 23.3c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

Calcium-Silicon: (Ca 30-33%, Si 60-65%, Fe 1.50-3%). Contract, carload, lump, bulk 19.0c per lb of alloy, carload packed 20.2c, ton lot 22.1c, less ton 23.6c. Deld. Spot, add 0.25c.

BRIQUETTED ALLOYS

Chromium Briquets: (Weighing approx. 3% lb each and containing exactly 2 lb of Cr). Contract, carload, bulk, 16.05c per lb of briquet, carload packed 16.95c, ton 17.75c, less ton 18.65c. Deld. Add 0.25c for notching, Spot, add 0.25c.

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Silicon Briquets: (Large size—weighing approx. 5 lb and containing exactly 2 lb of Si). Contract, carload, bulk 6.55c per lb of briquet. Packed c.l. 7.55c, ton lot 8.35c, less ton 9.25c. Delivered. Spot, add 0.25c.

(Small size—Weighing approx. 2½ lb and containing exactly 1 lb of Si). Carload, bulk 6.7c. Packaged c.l. 7.7c, ton lot 8.5c, less ton 9.4c. Delivered. Add 0.25c for notching, small size only. Spot, add 0.25c.

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Ferrotitanium—Columbium: (Cb 40% approx., Ta 20% approx., and Cb and Ta 60% min, C 0.30% max) ton lots, 2" x D, $6.25 per lb of contained Cb plus Ta., deld.; less ton lots $6.30.

Silcaz Alloy: (Si 35-40%, Ca 9-11%, Al 6-8%, Zr 3-5%, Ti 9-11%, B 0.55-0.75%). Carloads packed 1" x D, 45c per lb of alloy, ton lot 47c, less ton 49c. Delivered.

SMZ Alloy: (Si 60-65%, Mn 5-7%, Zr 5-7%, Fe 20% approx). Contract, carload, packed, ½" x 12 M, 17.5c per lb of alloy, ton lots 18.25c, less ton 19.5c. Deld. Spot, add 0.25c.

Graphidox No. 4: (Si 48-52%, Ca 5-7%, Ti 9-11%), C.l. packed, 17.50c per lb of alloy, ton lots 18.50c; less ton lots 20c, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y.; freight allowed to St. Louis.

V-S Foundry Alloy: (Cr 38-42%, Si 17-19%, Mn 8-11%). C.l. packed 16.6c per lb of alloy; ton lots 18.10c; less ton lots 19.35c. f.o.b. Niagara Falls; freight allowed to St. Louis.

Siminal: (Approx. 20% each Si, Mn, Al; bal. Fe). Lump, carload, bulk 15.50c. Packed c.l. 16.50c, 2000 lb to c.l. 16.75c, less than 2000 lb 17.25c per lb of alloy. Delivered.

Ferrophosphorus: (23-25% based on 24% P content with unitage of $4 for each 1% of P above or below the base); carloads, f.o.b. sellers' works, Mt. Pleasant, Siglo, Tenn., $90 per gross ton.

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Old range nonbessemer	10.25
Mesabi bessemer	10.25
Mesabi nonbessemer	10.10
Open-hearth lump	11.25
High phosphorus	10.00

Eastern Local Iron Ore

Cents per unit, deld, E. Pa.

Foundry and basic 52-62% concentrates contract	17.00-18.00

Foreign Iron Ore

Cents per unit, c.i.f. Atlantic ports

Swedish basic, 60-68%	20.00
N. African hematite (spot)	nom. 18.00-20.00
Brazilian iron ore, 68-69% (spot)	24.00-26.00

Tungsten Ore

Net ton unit, before duty

Foreign, wolframite, good commercial quality	$25.00-$26.00
Domestic, scheelite, mine	63.00

Manganese Ore

Mn 48%, nearby, 85c-87c per long ton unit c.i.f. U. S. ports, duty for buyer's account; 46-47%, 75c-80c.

Chrome Ore

Gross ton, f.o.b. cars New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Charleston, S. C., plus ocean freight differential for delivery to Portland, Oreg., Tacoma, Wash.

Indian and African

48% 2.8:1	nom. $40.00-$42.00
48% 3:1	42.00-44.00
48% no ratio	32.00-34.00

South African Transvaal

44% no ratio	$19.00-$20.00
48% no ratio	31.00-32.00

Domestic

Rail nearest seller

18% 3:1	$39.00

Molybdenum

Sulphide concentrate, per lb of Mo content, mines, unpacked	$1.00

Antimony Ore

Per unit of 8lb content, c.i.f. seaboard

56-60%	$3.25-$3.80
65%	4.15-4.25

Vanadium Ore

Cents per lb, V_2O_5 content, deld, mills

Domestic	31.00

Refractories

Fire Clay Brick (per 1000)

High-Heat Duty: Pueblo, Colo., $94; Ashland, Grahn, Hayward, Hitchins, Haldeman, Olive Hill, Ky., Athens, Troup, Tex., Beech Creek, Clearfield, Curwensville, Lock Haven, Lumber, Orviston, West Decatur, Pa., Bessemer, Ala., Farber, Mexico, Mo., St. Louis, Vandalia, Mo., Ironton, Oak Hill, Farrar, Portsmouth, O., Ottawa, Ill., Stevens Pottery, Ga., $114; Salina, Pa., $119; Niles, O., $125; Los Angeles, Pittsburg, Calif., $137.20.

Silica Brick (per 1000)

Standard: Alexandria, Claysburg, Mt. Union, Sproul, Pa., Ensley, Ala., Portsmouth, O., $120; Warren, Niles, O., Hays, Pa., $125; Morrisville, Pa., $123.50; E. Chicago, Ind., Joliet, Rockdale, Ill., $130; Cutler, Utah, $121.55; Los Angeles, $127.85.

Super Duty: Hays, Sproul, Pa., Warren, Windham, O., Athens, Tex., $137; Morrisville, Pa., Niles, O., $140; Joliet, Ill., $143.

Semisilica Brick (per 1000)

Clearfield, Pa. $130; Woodbridge, N. J., $114.

Insulating Fire Brick (per 1000)

2300° *F:* Massillon, O., $178.50; Clearfield, Pa., $213; Augusta, Ga., Beaver Falls, Zelienople, Pa., Mexico, Mo., $206; Vandalia, Mo., $214.10; Portsmouth, O., $207.50; Bessemer, Ala., $212.80.

Ladle Brick (per 1000)

Dry Pressed: Bessemer, Ala., $64.60; Aisey, Ill., Chester, New Cumberland, W. Va., Freeport, Johnstown, Merrill Station, Pa., Mexico, Mo., $77.50; Wellsville, O., $81.50; Clearfield, Pa., Portsmouth, O., $87; Perla, Ark., $109; Los Angeles $110.25; Pittsburg, Calif., $111.30.

High-Alumina Brick (per 1000)

50 *Per Cent:* Clearfield, Pa., St. Louis, Mexico, Mo., $181; Danville, Ill., $169.30.

60 *Per Cent:* St. Louis, Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., Clearfield, Pa., $225; Danville, Ill., $213.20.

70 *Per Cent:* St. Louis, Mexico, Vandalia, Mo., $260; Danville, Ill., $258; Clearfield, Pa., $267.

Sleeves (per 1000)

Reesdale, Johnstown, Bridgeburg, Pa., $147; Clearfield, Pa., $148.50; St. Louis, $159.30; Athens, Tex., $155.

Nozzles (per 1000)

Reesdale, Pa., $234.70; Johnstown, Pa., $240.70; Clearfield, Pa., $241.40; St. Louis, $259.45; Athens, Tex., $247.70; Bridgeburg, Pa., $267.50.

Runners (per 1000)

Reesdale, Johnstown, Bridgeburg, Pa., $183.50; Clearfield, Pa., $195.50; St. Louis, $195.80; Athens, Tex., $191.80.

Dolomite (per net ton)

Domestic, dead-burned, bulk, Billmeyer, Blue Bell, Williams, Plymouth Meeting, York, Pa., Millville, W. Va., Bettsville, Millersville, Martin, Nario, Gibsonburg, Woodville, O., $14.50; Thornton, McCook, Ill., $15.10; Dolly Siding, Bonne Terre, Mo., $13.65.

Magnesite (per net ton)

Domestic, dead-burned bulk, ¼-in. grains with fines: Luning, Nev., Chewelah, Wash., $38.

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Cincinnati, deld.	25.85
Painesville, O., ovens	25.50
Cleveland, deld.	27.43
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Birmingham, ovens	22.65
Cincinnati, deld.	27.58
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Coal Chemicals

Spot, cents per gallon, ovens

Pure benzol	36.00
Toluol, one deg.	32.00-35.00
Industrial xylol	32.00-35.00

Per ton, bulk, ovens

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7	60	25.25
8, 9, 10	60	22.75
12	72	26.00
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16	72	21.50
17	60	22.00
18	72	21.50
20	72	21.25

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14, 12, 10	60	11.10
14	72	10.25
17	60	10.25
17	72	9.85
20	84	9.85
20	90	9.65
24	72, 84	9.85
24	96	9.60
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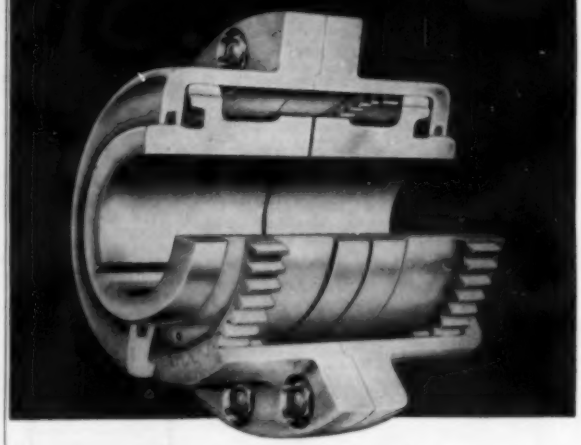

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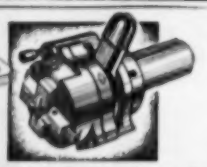

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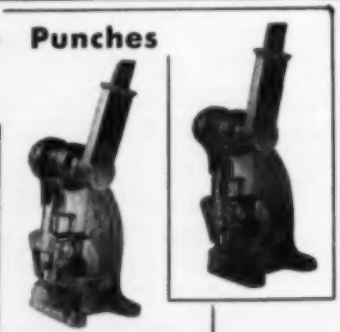

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Scrap . . .

Scrap Prices, Page 150

Philadelphia — The Fairless, Pa., consumer of open-hearth scrap entered the market last week and purchased at reduced prices. It bought prime steel grades at $37.50, delivered; No. 2 heavy melting at $34; and No. 2 bundles at $30. As a result, the market on these grades is down, with No. 1 heavy melting, No. 1 bundles and No. 1 busheling now holding at $37.50-$38, delivered; No. 2 heavy melting at $34-$34.50; and No. 2 bundles at $30.

With the domestic market softer, foreign prices also are lower, although there is still a good movement abroad. Except for the major open-hearth grades, prices are steady.

Chicago — Late mill purchases of steelmaking scrap have not altered prices on open-hearth grades, but electric furnace and railroad items are up $1 and $2 a ton. Continuing weak and virtually untested for the moment are dealer items, notably No. 2 heavy melting and No. 1 dealer bundles. With district steelmaking operations at 96.5 per cent of capacity, the small volume of buying is baffling. The answer lies in more than average use of hot metal and a generous supply of industry-generated scrap, which was returned to mills on a direct shipment basis.

Cleveland—The scrap market here is sluggish, with little new buying by the mills. Foundry purchases are reported picking up, reflecting some improvement in spotty operations. Prices are unchanged, but automotive lists are reported to have sold $2 under previous quotations. This is expected to press dealer scrap prices down when buying is resumed by the mills.

Pittsburgh—A major steelmaker bought a good-sized order of blast furnace scrap last week at prevailing prices. No. 2 bundles sold for $31-$32, reflecting a slight increase. Demand is steady. Some weakness is reported in shipments to the East. Possibility of change in scrap export controls has slowed demand for scrap from that quarter. Cast iron grades are showing greater strength, with higher prices paid the past week.

Buffalo—Placing of new orders by the area's top mill consumers is anxiously awaited by the scrap trade here. Prices are unchanged, with dealer stocks ample to meet requirements.

Cincinnati — March was a first-class month for local scrap dealers and brokers, probably will go down as the best in the last 12 to 15. Dealers generally were happy with prices, and there was no disposition to hold back material. The only price activity was in drop broken machinery, which advanced $1 to $45-$46.

Detroit—No price changes are reported in the scrap market here. None are expected until automotive lists are closed this week. Meanwhile, district steelmaking operations continue around 90 per cent of capacity, unchanged from the preceding week and just about 1 point above the district ingot rate a year ago.

St. Louis—No. 1 railroad heavy-melting scrap has moved up 75 cents per ton in response to competition from the Chicago and Kansas City markets. The strong undertone continues, but most prices are unchanged. Melters' ground stocks are comfortable, and they are buying daily requirements only. Shipments of dealer grades are slow, notably No. 1. The local market for rerollers remains dull, with most sales going to outside districts. Barge lines will begin accepting scrap shipments this week. No. 2 material will deliver at $1 higher here. Major movement is from St. Paul, Minneapolis, LaCrosse, Wis., New Orleans and Memphis, Tenn., to Granite City and Alton, Ill.

Los Angeles—One mill purchased a large quantity of No. 1 heavy melting steel to impart a generally stronger tone to the market. Dealers whose activity had been hampered by large mill inventories hope the purchase foreshadows increased mill operations.

San Francisco—Steel scrap prices are holding their recent advance despite the absence of large-scale buying by the mills. Export demand is a bolstering influence.

Seattle—Domestic buyers are not adding to inventories, but their purchases equal tonnage being consumed. As a whole, the market is firm, buoyed by export influences. Steel scrap prices are unchanged. Cast iron does not share the strength of steel grades, with No. 1 cupola quoted at $35. Buyers of electric furnace material are well stocked.

Warehouse . . .

Warehouse Prices, Page 137

Warehouse demand for cold-rolled sheets is so good at Chicago that sales are controlled to protect inventories for regular customers. That has been the situation in galvanized sheets for a long time. Hot-rolled sheet demand is improving, and for popular sizes and gages, a quantity restriction is necessary. Light plates constitute another product in which supply falls short of demand. Bars in all categories are moving up, but the supply-demand situation still is regarded normal.

In the East, distributors are booking more orders, but average individual tonnage purchased is small. Total volume in the area, however, is 10 to 15 per cent heavier than a year ago and is on a broader base. Lengthening mill deliveries are channeling some fill-in volume to distributors.

Sales are reported fluctuating between good and fair at Pittsburgh. Sheet demand is strongest. One effect of higher mill operations is that the distributors are receiving some orders which ordinarily the mills would handle. Pacific Northwest distributors handling both steel and aluminum report that steady order volume in the first quarter was about 25 per cent above that of the like period last year.

Prices on stainless tubing, both seamless and welded, have been advanced approximately 2 per cent on the average by eastern warehouses. This is in line with increases effected by the mills.

Warehouses at Cincinnati would like to have a few more tons of sheets in stock. Mill deliveries are running well into August. Prices on rejects have started to firm up.

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Mar. 30	$37.41
Mar. 23	37.75
Feb. Avg.	36.79
Mar. 1954	24.37
Mar. 1950	28.23

Based on No. 1 heavy melting grade at Pittsburgh, Chicago and eastern Pennsylvania.

PITTSBURGH

(Delivered consumer plant)

No. 1 heavy melting...	38.00-39.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	35.00-36.00
No. 1 bundles	38.00-39.00
No. 2 bundles	*31.00-32.00*
No. 1 busheling	38.00-39.00
Machine shop turnings.	22.00-23.00
Mixed borings, turnings	22.00-23.00
Short shovel turnings..	26.00-27.00
Cast iron borings	26.00-27.00
Cut structurals, 5 ft lengths	41.00-42.00
Heavy turnings	35.00-36.00
Punchings & plate scrap	42.00-43.00
Electric furnace bundles	39.00-40.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	*39.00-40.00*
Charging box cast	*33.00-34.00*
Heavy breakable cast ...	*33.00-34.00*
Unstripped motor blocks	22.00-23.00
No. 1 machinery cast..	43.00-44.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	*41.00-42.00*
Rails, 2 ft and under	*51.00-52.00*
Rails, 18 in. and under	*52.00-53.00*
Rails, random lengths	*47.00-48.00*
Railroad specialties ...	44.50-45.50

Stainless Steel Scrap

18-8 bundles & solids..	210.00-220.00
18-8 turnings	105.00-110.00
430 bundles & solids ..	95.00-100.00
430 turnings	60.00-65.00

CLEVELAND

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No. 1 heavy melting...	34.00-36.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	31.00-32.00
No. 1 bundles	34.00-36.00
No. 2 bundles	29.00-29.00
No. 1 busheling	34.00-36.00
Machine shop turnings.	17.00-18.00
Mixed borings, turnings	24.00-25.00
Short shovel turnings ..	34.00-26.00
Cast iron borings	34.00-25.00
Low phos.	34.00-36.00
Cut structural plate 2 ft and under	*41.50-42.00*
Alloy free, short shovel turnings	26.50-27.50
Electric furnace bundles	34.00-36.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	*43.00-44.00*
Charging box cast	37.00-38.00
Stove plate	*40.00-42.00*
Heavy breakable cast..	34.00-35.00
Unstripped motor blocks	29.00-30.00
Brake shoes	32.00-33.00
Clean auto cast	46.00-47.00
No. 1 wheels	42.00-44.00
Burnt cast	33.00-34.00
Drop broken machinery	46.00-47.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt..	37.00-38.00
R.R. malleable	45.00-46.00
Rails, 2-ft and under..	50.00-51.00
Rails, 18-in. and under.	51.00-52.00
Rails, random lengths.	45.00-46.00
Cast steel	39.00-40.00
Railroad specialties	39.00-40.00
Uncut tires	41.00-42.00
Angles, splice bars	46.00-47.00
Rails, rerolling	52.00-53.00

Stainless Steel

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

18-8 bundles, solids ...	190.00-200.00
18-8 turnings	80.00-90.00
430 clips, bundles, solids	80.00
430 turnings	40.00-50.00

YOUNGSTOWN

(Delivered consumer plant)

No. 1 heavy melting...	37.00-38.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	32.00-33.00
No. 1 bundles	37.00-38.00
No. 2 bundles	27.50-28.50
No. 1 busheling	37.00-38.00
Machine shop turnings.	18.00-19.00
Short shovel turnings ..	26.00-26.00
Cast iron borings	25.00-26.00
Low phos.	37.00-38.00
Electric furnace bundles	37.00-38.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt..	38.00-39.00

CHICAGO

No. 1 heavy melting...	35.00-37.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	32.00-33.00
No. 1 factory bundles.	36.00-37.00
No. 1 dealer bundles ..	35.00-36.00
No. 2 bundles	24.00-25.00
No. 1 busheling	35.00-37.00
Machine shop turnings.	17.00-18.00
Mixed borings, turnings	19.00-20.00
Short shovel turnings ..	19.00-20.00
Cast iron borings	19.00-20.00
Cut structurals, 3 ft	*37.00-38.00*
Punchings & plate scrap	38.00-39.00
Electric furnace bundles	36.00-37.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	*41.00-42.00*
Stove plate	*36.00-37.00*
Unstripped motor blocks	28.00-29.00
Clean auto cast	46.00-47.00
Drop broken machinery.	46.00-47.00

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	38.00-39.00
R.R. malleable	44.00-45.00
Rails, 2-ft and under	*49.00-50.00*
Rails, 18-in. and under ..	*50.00-51.00*
Angles, splice bars	*44.00-45.00*
Rails, rerolling	50.00-51.00

Stainless Steel Scrap

18-8 bundles & solids..	205.00-210.00
18-8 turnings	95.00-100.00
430 bundles & solids...	85.00-90.00
430 turnings	45.00-50.00

DETROIT

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 heavy melting...	28.50
No. 2 heavy melting...	22.00
No. 1 bundles	29.00
No. 2 bundles	21.00
No. 1 busheling	28.00
Machine shop turnings.	13.00
Mixed borings, turnings	13.00
Short shovel turnings..	17.00
Punchings & plate scrap	30.00

Cast Iron Grades

Charging box cast	37.00
No. 1 cupola	34.00
Stove plate	30.00
Heavy breakable	25.00
Unstripped motor blocks	20.00
Clean auto cast	38.00
Malleable	30.00

BIRMINGHAM

No. 1 heavy melting..	32.00-33.00
No. 2 heavy melting..	27.00-28.00
No. 1 bundles	32.00-33.00
No. 2 bundles	23.00-24.00
No. 1 busheling	32.00-33.00
Cast iron borings	17.00-18.00
Short shovel turnings ..	25.00-26.00
Machine shop turnings.	18.00-19.00
Electric furnace bundles	32.00-33.00

Cast Iron Grades (F.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 cupola	45.00-46.00
Stove plate	42.00-43.00
Bar crops and plate ..	36.00-37.00
Structural plate, 2 ft ..	36.00-37.00
Unstripped motor blocks	35.50-36.50

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	36.00-37.00
Rails, 18 in. and under	43.50-44.50
Rails, rerolling	43.00-44.00
Rails, random lengths.	39.00-40.00
Angles, splice bars ..	40.00-41.00
Stand. steel axles	35.00-36.00

PHILADELPHIA

(Delivered consumer plant)

No. 1 heavy melting	*37.50-38.00*
No. 2 heavy melting	*34.00-34.50*
No. 1 bundles	*37.50-38.00*
No. 2 bundles	*30.00*
No. 1 busheling	*37.50-38.00*
Electric furnace bundles	41.00
Machine shop turnings.	22.50
Mixed borings, turnings	23.00
Short shovel turnings..	25.50
Structurals & plate ...	42.00-43.00
Heavy turnings	34.00-35.00
Couplers, springs, wheels	42.50
Rail crops, 2 ft & under	52.00-53.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	38.00
Malleable	44.00
Heavy breakable cast..	39.00
Drop broken machinery.	44.00

NEW YORK

(Brokers' buying prices)

No. 1 heavy melting...	32.50-33.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	30.00-31.00
No. 1 bundles	32.50-33.00
No. 2 bundles	24.00-25.00
Machine shop turnings..	14.00-15.00
Mixed borings, short turnings	15.00-16.00
Short shovel turnings ..	16.00-17.00
Low phos. (structural & plate)	*34.00-35.00*

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	30.00-31.00
Unstripped motor blocks	22.00-23.00
Heavy breakable	31.00-32.00

Stainless Steel

18-8 sheets, clips, solids	200.00-210.00
18-8 borings, turnings..	95.00-100.00
430 sheets, clips, solids.	75.00-80.00
410 sheets, clips, solids.	65.00-75.00

BOSTON

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 heavy melting..	29.50-30.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	25.00-25.50
No. 1 bundles	29.50-30.00
No. 2 bundles	22.00-23.00
Mixed borings, turnings	14.50-15.00
Short shovel turnings ..	15.50-16.00
No. 1 cast	30.00-31.00
Mixed cupola cast	28.00-29.00
No. 1 machinery cast..	33.00-34.00

BUFFALO

No. 1 heavy melting...	32.00-33.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	29.00-30.00
No. 1 bundles	32.00-33.00
No. 2 bundles	27.00-28.00
No. 1 busheling	32.00-33.00
Machine shop turnings.	20.50-21.50
Short shovel turnings..	23.00-24.00
Cast iron borings	22.00-23.00
Low phos.	36.00-37.00

Cast Iron Grades (F.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 cupola	37.00-38.00
No. 1 machinery	42.00-43.00

Railroad Scrap

Rails, random lengths..	35.00-36.00
Rails, 3 ft and under..	42.00-43.00
Railroad specialties ...	36.50-37.50

CINCINNATI

(Brokers' buying prices; f.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 heavy melting...	33.00-34.00
No. 2 heavy melting...	29.50-30.50
No. 1 bundles	33.00-34.00
No. 2 bundles	24.00-25.00
No. 1 busheling	33.00-34.00
Machine shop turnings.	19.00-20.00
Mixed borings, turnings	19.00-20.50
Short shovel turnings ..	22.00-23.00
Cast iron borings.....	20.00-21.00
Low phos. 18-in.	38.00-39.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	39.00-40.00
Heavy breakable cast..	35.00
Charging box cast	36.00
Drop broken machinery ..	*45.00-46.00*

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	35.00-36.00
Rails, 18-in. and under.	47.00-48.00
Rails, random lengths..	41.50-42.50

ST. LOUIS

(Brokers' buying prices)

No. 1 heavy melting..	31.00
No. 2 heavy melting..	29.00
No. 1 bundles	31.00
No. 2 bundles	24.50
Machine shop turnings	15.00
Short shovel turnings..	17.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	40.00
Charging box cast	32.50
Heavy breakable cast..	32.50
Unstripped motor blocks	32.50
Brake shoes	32.00
Clean auto cast	42.50
Stove plate	36.50

Railroad Scrap

No. 1 R.R. heavy melt.	*36.25*
Rails, 18-in. and under	46.00
Rails, random lengths..	40.00-41.00
Rails, rerolling	46.00
Angles, splice bars	41.00

SEATTLE

(Delivered consumer plant)

No. 1 heavy melting..	31.00
No. 2 heavy melting..	27.00
No. 1 bundles	22.50
No. 2 bundles	20.00
No. 3 bundles	14.00
Machine shop turnings.	12.00-14.00
Mixed borings, turnings	12.00-14.00
Short shovel turnings..	12.00-14.00
Electric furnace, No. 1.	35.00

Cast Iron Grades (F.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 cupola	*35.00*
Heavy breakable cast..	23.00
Unstripped motor blocks	27.00
No. 1 wheels	21.00
Stove plate (f.o.b. plant)	28.00-29.00
Brake shoes	28.00-29.00

Railroad Scrap (Delivered consumer plant)

Rails, random lengths..	30.00-34.00

LOS ANGELES

No. 1 heavy melting..	28.00
No. 2 heavy melting..	24.00
No. 1 bundles	27.00
No. 2 bundles	22.00
Machine shop turnings.	8.00

Cast Iron Grades (F.o.b. shipping point)

No. 1 cupola	42.00-44.00

SAN FRANCISCO

No. 1 heavy melting..	27.00
No. 2 heavy melting..	25.00
No. 1 bundles	26.00
No. 2 bundles	22.00
No. 1 busheling	27.00
Machine shop turnings..	8.00
Mixed borings, turnings	8.00
Short shovel turnings ..	10.00
Cast iron borings	10.00
Cut structurals	27.00
Heavy turnings	9.00
Punchings & plate scrap	27.00

Cast Iron Grades

No. 1 cupola	40.00
Charging box cast	35.00
Stove plate	37.00
Heavy breakable cast..	36.00
Unstripped motor blocks	30.00
Brake shoes	35.00
Clean auto cast	39.00
No. 1 wheels	39.00
Burnt cast	23.00
Drop broken machinery	46.00

HAMILTON, ONT.

(Delivered prices)

No. 1 heavy melting..	32.00
No. 2 heavy melting..	29.00
No. 1 bundles	32.00
No. 2 bundles	26.00
Mixed steel scrap	26.00
Mixed borings, turnings	16.00
Rails, remelting	41.00
Busheling, new factory: Prepared	30.00
Unprepared	26.00
Short steel turnings....	16.00

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No. 1 machinery cast..	42.00-45.00

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Structural Shapes . . .

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Pressure for deliveries is increasing on the structural mills as seasonal construction requirements expand impressively. Deliveries extend six to seven weeks on standard shapes, and still longer on wide-flange sections, especially smaller sizes.

Reflecting the strong demand, at least two structural producers are no longer furnishing customers with weekly rolling schedules. Business is coming in too rapidly to make weekly scheduling feasible. Customers are being asked to send in their orders further ahead, on a monthly basis if possible.

An impressive feature of the structural market in the New York area is the increasing diversity of work. Included are many multistory office buildings and apartments, shopping centers and public projects, involving bridges, schools and power plants. Not much private industrial work is active in the East, but fabricators report a considerable amount is pending throughout the country. In New England, fabricating contracts in the first quarter were heavier than in the like period a year ago, owing to bridge tonnage which was widely distributed.

February bookings of fabricated structural steel amounted to 230,007 tons, says the American Institute of Steel Construction. This was slightly less than in the previous month, but was 51 per cent greater than the average for February during the 1947-50 base years. Total bookings for the first two months of this year were 468,257 tons, an increase of 24,000 tons over the corresponding period a year ago.

Shipments in February were 200,498 tons, a decrease of 11 per cent from January. Total shipments in the first two months of this year were 426,654 tons, against 328,080 tons average for the base period.

Backlog of orders at end of February totaled 1,360,102 tons.

STRUCTURAL SHAPES . . .

STRUCTURAL STEEL PLACED

3020 tons, building construction, Erie Mining Co., Taconite Harbor, Minn., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

3000 tons, Muskingum generating station, Relief, O., to the Ingalls Iron Works Co., Birmingham, Ala.

2140 tons, civic center and city hall, New Orleans, to Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., New Orleans; H. F. Farnsworth & Co. Inc., New Orleans, general contractor.

1900 tons, building work, International Business Machines Corp., Kingston, N. Y., to Ingalls Iron Works Co., Birmingham.

1605 tons, apartment, Second Ave. between 66th and 67th Sts., New York, through Simon Bros., to Harris Structural Steel Co., New York.

795 tons, approach work, contract 45-B, elevated highway, South St., New York, through Edenwald Contracting Co., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

665 tons, foundry, Chambersburg Engineering

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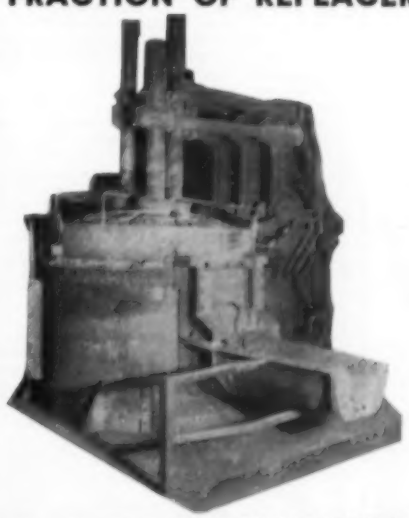

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In the third in STEEL's ten-part Program for Management for 1955, the editors explore metalworking's plant layout problems. During wartime and post-war expansions, many plants grew like Topsy. Layouts were inefficient and inadequate for what's needed in a competitive economy. In preparation for you is a report on how to arrange your equipment more efficiently, improve flow of materials and minimize handling.

Co., Chambersburg, Pa., to Belmont Iron Works, Eddystone, Pa.

620 tons, brush plant and warehouse, Albany, N. Y., to James McKinney & Son.

550 tons, Pennsylvania train shed, Pittsburgh, to Central Steel Construction Corp., Buffalo.

540 tons, ground reservoir, Peoria, Ill., through American Water Works Service Co., Philadelphia, to Nooter Corp.

435 tons, three state bridges, Orange-Athol, Mass., to American Bridge Division, U. S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh; Bayer & Mingolle Construction Co., Worcester, Mass., general contractor.

425 tons, tower work, mostly alterations, Connecticut Light & Power Co., Hartford, Conn., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem, Pa.

250 tons, high school, Bellefont, Pa., to Goetz Welding Co., Harrisburg, Pa.

230 tons, Bald Eagle-Nittany School, Clinton county, Pa., to Dauphin Steel Engineering Co.

215 tons, plate girder bridge, Willamette river, Oregon, to American Bridge Division, U. S. Steel Corp., Portland, Oreg.; general award by Bureau of Public Roads, Portland, to Hamilton & Thomas, Eugene, Oreg., low at $106,800.

180 tons, warehouse, National Biscuit Co., Philadelphia, to Robinson Steel Co., Philadelphia.

155 tons, warehouse, International Business Machines Corp., Kingston, N. Y., through Turner-Campbell, to Belmont Iron Works, Eddystone, Pa.

STRUCTURAL STEEL PENDING

6000 tons, shopping center, Paramus, N. J., in which R. H. Macy & Co., New York, is reported interested; pending.

2470 tons, five-span girder, Chicopee river, and four-span stringer, Three Rivers road, Massachusetts turnpike, Ludlow-Wilbraham-Palmer, Mass., Brunalli Construction Co., Southington, Conn., and Grand View Construction Co., Mt. Vernon, N. Y., joint low bid on general contract.

2200 tons, Public School of Printing, New York; previously noted as placed; project withdrawn for redesigning.

2000 tons, branch store, R. H. Macy & Co., Roosevelt Field, Long Island, N. Y.; pending.

1785 tons, bridges, East Chicago-Hammond, Ind.; bids Apr. 13, Indiana Toll Road Commission, Indianapolis.

1125 tons, 12 bridges, Massachusetts turnpike, Westfield-West Springfield, Mass.; Lane Construction Co., Meriden, Conn., low on general contract; also 1645 tons, reinforcing bars, and 210 tons, steel sheet piling.

1000 tons, milk processing plant, Carnation Co., Seattle; plans by S. B. Barnes, structural engineer, Los Angeles, Calif.; bids soon.

500 tons, Lord & Taylor store, Garden City, Long Island, N. Y.; bids closed.

380 tons, three bridges, Massachusetts turnpike, Warren-Brimfield, Mass.; A. J. Orlando Construction Co., Whitestone, N. Y., low on general contract.

375 tons, high school, Shamokin, Pa.; bids closed Apr. 5.

325 tons, galvanized transmission towers; Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., Seattle, low at $94,886 to Seattle Light Department.

315 tons, four state bridges, Manchester, N. H.; Frank Palazzi & Sons Inc., Johnston, R. I., low on general contract; also 215 tons, reinforcing bars.

208 tons, Washington state overcrossing, Spokane, Wash.; bids to Olympia, Wash., Apr. 12.

200 tons, hangar, warehouse, etc., Galena Air Base, Alaska; Peter Kiewit Sons Co., Seattle, low at $4,907,810.

113 tons, state bridge repairs, Mercer county, Pa.; bids close Apr. 22.

REINFORCING BARS . . .

REINFORCING BARS PLACED

850 tons, civic center and city hall, New Orleans, to Laclede Steel Co., New Orleans; R. F. Farnsworth & Co. Inc., New Orleans, general contractor.

250 tons, Greene street crossing, Spokane, Wash., Washington state project; to Northwest Steel Rolling Mills Inc., Seattle; Henry Hagman, Cashmere, Wash., general contractor, low at $359,328.

197 tons, Northern Pacific railway, freight warehouse, Seattle, to Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., Seattle; Morrison-Knudsen Co., Seattle, general contractor.

REINFORCING BARS PENDING

2500 tons, Alaska railroad, sea terminal, Seward, Alaska; bids to Anchorage, Alaska, Apr. 21.

500 tons, two residence halls, Washington State College, Pullman, Wash.; James I. Barnes, Seattle, low at $1,578,980.

230 tons, Seattle School Board warehouse; Howard S. Wright Construction Co., Seattle, general contractor.

212 tons, Washington state, Spokane county, overcrossing; bids to Olympia, Wash., Apr. 12.

114 tons, Washington state, King county, railroad overpass; general award to John E. Alexander, Seattle, low at $92,158.

100 tons, Idaho state turberculosis hospital, Gooding, Idaho; general contract to W. R. Cahoon Construction Co., Pocatello, Idaho, low at $928,472.

PLATES . . .

PLATES PLACED

10,850 tons, 58 storage tanks, American Oil Co., Yorktown, Va., to Chicago Bridge & Iron Co., Chicago.

1000 tons, 18 to 30-in. water supply line, Hoquiam, Wash., to Beall Pipe & Tank Corp., Portland, Oreg.

500 tons, 1-million-gal standpipe and 500,000-gal elevated tank, Colonie, N. Y., to Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel Co., Pittsburgh.

150 tons, 500,000-gal elevated water tank, Albertville, Ala., to Chattanooga Boiler & Tanks Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

PLATES PENDING

500 tons, storage tanks, Adak, Alaska; opening Apr. 1.

PIPE . . .

CAST IRON PIPE PLACED

307 tons, Ft. Lewis, Wash., housing project, to U. S. Pipe & Foundry Co., Seattle.

112 tons, Shelton, Wash., to U. S. Pipe & Foundry Co., Seattle.

CAST IRON PIPE PENDING

1154 tons, Yakima, Wash., bids Apr. 5.

146 tons, Hazelwood, Oreg., bids Apr. 6.

91 tons, Mukilteo, Wash., bids Apr. 1.

90 tons, Portland (Oreg.) Water District, bids Apr. 1.

RAILS, CARS . . .

LOCOMOTIVES PLACED

New York Central, one diesel passenger locomotive, to Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Eddystone, Pa.

New York, New Haven & Hartford, one diesel passenger locomotive, to Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Eddystone, Pa.

Union Pacific, twenty 1000-hp diesel yard switchers, to American Locomotive Co., New York.

RAILROAD CARS PLACED

Monongahela Connecting Railroad, subsidiary of Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., repair of 75 mill-type gondola cars to the Greenville Steel Car Co., Greenville, Pa.

New York Central, five low-slung, aluminum passenger cars, to Pullman-Standard Car Mfg. Co., Chicago.

New York, New Haven & Hartford, five low-slung, aluminum passenger cars, to Pullman-Standard Car Mfg. Co., Chicago.

Pennsylvania, seven low-slung stainless passenger cars and one power car, to the Budd Co., Philadelphia.

Santa Fe, 47 passenger cars, to the Budd Co., Philadelphia.

RAILS PLACED

Southern, 47,000 tons; major portion to the Tennessee Coal & Iron Division, U. S. Steel Corp., Birmingham; remainder to the Steelton, Pa., plant of the Bethlehem Steel Co.

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